

SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)

6/29/62

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1173) (P)

THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION,"
ETAL
MILWAUKEE DIVISION
AR-CONSPIRACY

Reurlet dated 6/26/62.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1173) (P)

SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION,"
ETAL
MILWAUKEE DIVISION
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TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326)

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)

JOSEPH GURERA, AKA - AR

BUSTER BALESTRENE, AKA. - AR

ON JULY TWELVE LAST LIGHT BLUE CHEVROLET, MO. LICENSE
ZL FIVE DASH TWO ONE ZERO, IN MILWAUKEE IN CONTACT WITH
ABOVE. ADVISE INFO. AS TO REGISTERED OWNER AND CONNECTION.
SUTEL IF DEEMED PERTINENT TO CRIMINAL COMMISSION ACTIVITIES.

cc - 165-15
92-262 ✓

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John Obrey

7-25-62

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SAC, Kansas City

7/30/62

SAC, Milwaukee (166-13)

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA;
STEPHEN J. DE SALVO;
EUSTIANO BALESTRENI
ITAR

OO: MILWAUKEE

The following vehicles have been observed as indicated below, and it is requested that each office receiving copies of this letter identify the registered owner, determine from available sources sufficient information to judge whether or not the party might be engaged in criminal activities and, if possible, determine the reason for being in Milwaukee and in contact with the Subjects set out in the title, all of whom are under intensive investigation by the Milwaukee Division as top hoodlums.

The Kansas City Office's attention is directed to Milwaukee airtel to Bureau, cc Kansas City, dated 7/20/62, captioned "FRANK PETER BALISTRERI, aka, AR," advising that information has been received to the effect that Kansas City was planning to send additional syndicate members to Milwaukee to further organize hoodlum activities here and produce some money for Kansas City. For the information of other offices, JOE GURERA came to Milwaukee early this year and immediately took an active part with the other Subjects in organizing and contacting all bookies in Milwaukee, especially those of Italian descent, and putting the bite on them for a percentage of their action.

On July 18, 1962, at the rear of EUSTEN BALESTRENI's residence, 1634 North Jackson, GURERA's automobile was observed along with BALESTRENI's and a 1960 white over blue Chevrolet, Missouri license 215-210, reportedly registered to JOHN E. ARNEY, 9911 Blue Ridge, Kansas City.

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Missouri. This car was around Milwaukee for several days during the same period and observed by Agents and officers of the Milwaukee Police Department.

On this same date, at approximately 8:40 PM, while ARNEY's car and BALESTRELLA's car remained at the latter's residence, GURERA's car was observed at his residence, 2608 E. Newport, and also noted parked in front of his house was a 1961 Chevrolet, bearing Wisconsin license K65535 registered to Wheels Inn, 6200 No. Western Ave., Chicago, and 1962 blue Chevrolet, Massachusetts license [redacted]

[redacted] These cars were observed at 3:30 AM on this same night and at the same location, plus which there was a 1955 Chevrolet bearing Wisconsin license [redacted] registered to [redacted] Wisconsin.

On July 17, 1962, at 12:30 AM, in the immediate vicinity of GURERA's residence, the Chevrolet registered to Wheels Inn, Chicago; the Chevrolet registered to JOHN ARNEY of Kansas City and the Chevrolet bearing Massachusetts license [redacted] were noted along with a 1959 Ford, Wisconsin license [redacted] registered to [redacted] of [redacted] (This car had also been observed on July 15 at this same place, and on this date there was also parked there a 1962 Chevrolet, Wisconsin license J53042, registered to Milwaukee Car Lease, care of Pratt Manufacturing Company, 3097 West Milwaukee Road, Milwaukee.

LEADS

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE:

At Kansas City, Missouri:

Will verify registration of Missouri license 2L5-210 to JOHN ARNEY and furnish pertinent information as requested above.

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THE CHICAGO OFFICE:

At Chicago, Illinois:

Will determine the identity of proprietors of Wheel's Inn, 6200 No. Western Ave., and furnish the information requested above.

THE BOSTON OFFICE:

Will determine the registered owner of Massachusetts license [redacted] and furnish the same type of information as requested above.

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THE MILWAUKEE OFFICE:

At [redacted] Wisconsin:

Will furnish similar information as to [redacted]
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At Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

Will obtain the above requested information as to [redacted]
[redacted] and will identify the
officials of Pratt Manufacturing Company, 3097 W. Milwaukee
Road and conduct similar inquiry relative to them.

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SAC (92-145)

8/9/62

SA [REDACTED]

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CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM
MILWAUKEE DIVISION

The following information was obtained from [REDACTED]

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SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-13)

8-15-62

SAC, KANSAS CITY (166-44) -P-

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OO: Milwaukee

Reurlet to KC 7-30-62.

As is indicated in referenced communication, a 1960 white-over-blue Chevrolet, bearing Missouri license #ZL5-210, was observed in the Milwaukee area in 1962 in connection with captioned investigation. [The Kansas City office had previously secured information from the Missouri State Highway Patrol at Lee's Summit, Missouri, that this license was registered to JOHN E. ABNEY, 9911 Blue Ridge, Kansas City, Missouri. A further check of this license reflects that this man's last name had been misspelled and that his correct name is JOHN E. ADNEY, 9911 Blue Ridge.

Current City Directories reflect that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] JOHN E. ADNEY, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

On 8-13-62, [REDACTED] Clerk, Credit Bureau of Greater Kansas City, made available to SA JAMES F. GLONEK credit records regarding [REDACTED]. In a report prepared on 1-12-59, it is indicated that JOHN E. ADNEY [REDACTED] residing at 7400 Wabash [REDACTED]. ADNEY had been in the Kansas City area for two years as a career Navy man stationed at the Olathe Naval Air Station. He was also working part-time in the Katz Drug Store, where [REDACTED] worked at [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED].

A newspaper article in this file reflects that JOHN E. ADNEY, an Aviation Ordnance man in the Navy, died

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1 - Chicago (Info.)
2 - Kansas City (166-44)
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on 4-10-60 at Tacoma, Washington, of a cerebral thrombosis. Relatives were listed as follows: Mrs. LIL MARCHESE ADNEY; step-children, JACK, STEPHEN, PAUL and NANETTE BURR; parents, Mr. and Mrs. CLARK ADNEY, Everett, Washington; sisters, Mrs. MILDRED TAYLOR and Mrs. BETTY SHARLI, Modesto, California. The article indicated that ADNEY'S wife was residing at 9911 Blue Ridge.

LEADS

MILWAUKEE DIVISION

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Will furnish the Kansas City office available physical descriptive data regarding the individual observed in the 1960 Chevrolet, Missouri license #ZL5-210, at Milwaukee during July, 1962.

KANSAS CITY DIVISION

At Kansas City, Missouri

Upon receipt of the above information, will conduct logical investigation to ascertain the identity of this man and to determine whether or not he is involved in activities which would be of interest in connection with Bureau investigations.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (92-262)

DATE: 8/20/62

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION",
ET AL
MILWAUKEE DIVISION
AR. - CONSPIRACY

The following information was obtained on 8/10/62
from [REDACTED]

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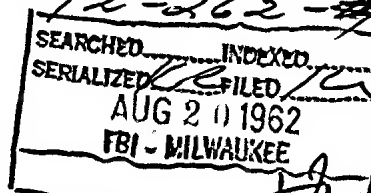
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The above information was confirmed in a large degree by contact with  on the same date.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE:

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Dates of Contact

8/10/62

Titles and File #s on which contacted

THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION" AR-CONSPIRACY

92-262

FRANK PETER BALISTRERI, AR

94-316

BUSTER BALESTRERE, AR

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CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ Negative
☐ Positive

The following information was obtained on 8/10/62 from the informant:

[REDACTED] has approached [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] FRANK BALISTRERI. Accord-
ing to informant, this [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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According to the informant, [REDACTED] have agreed that [REDACTED] This agreement being reached [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] According to the informant, they

☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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Informant also said that the Holiday House and Sardino's Restaurant are paying off to the group. [redacted]
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[redacted] who informant said is most closely connected with the group and used to run with them. [redacted]
[redacted]

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[redacted] Informant said he will furnish any additional information he obtains relative to these demands.

Informant also said that he had information that the group was going to open a new gambling joint of the walk-in type on North Milwaukee Street, and [redacted]

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[redacted] Informant said he would furnish the exact address when he learned it.

Informant said that BUSTER BALESTRERE was read out of the group last week and in fact had been ticketed for a one way ride but had been given a chance on this and now was without any authority whatsoever and was just running the cleaning establishment on South First Street.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 8/23/62

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		8/17/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
JOHN AIELLO, aka AR		92-227	THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION", Etal AR-- CONSPIRACY		92-262	[redacted]
STEVE DI SALVO, AR		92-165	
FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, aka AR		94-316	
JOE GURERA, AR		92-257	
Purpose and results of contact		165-15	
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative	BUSTER BALESTRERE, ITWI	94-314	
<input type="checkbox"/> Positive	PHIL ALDERISIO	165-71	
	[redacted] ITWI	92-145	
	CIP	162-1	THOMPSON
	IGA		
<p>Informant advised that there are quite a few strangers from out of town of Italian descent who have been visiting some of the better known leaders of the Italian hoodlum element in Milwaukee. He said that a [redacted] family from Pittsburgh, Pa., is presently visiting JOHN ALIOTO and staying at his home at 2500 North Booth Street. There are 4 men and 2 women in this party, and they have been at ALIOTO's home since August 15. He further advised that there are two individuals from out of town visiting at</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.			
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		Coverage	Gambling

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PETER BALISTRERI's home at Milwaukee and that one out-of-town hoodlum, whom he believes is very possibly from Kansas City, is staying at the Kilbourn Hotel in Milwaukee and that JOE GURERA and STEVE DI SALVO were seen with this individual on Wednesday and Thursday, August 16 and 17.

In connection with this, informant said that [REDACTED]

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In connection with [REDACTED] making a trip to Kansas City approximately two weeks ago to get some money, informant said that he learned that these individuals obtained the money from the Kansas City outfit and that he does not know the amount that they brought back to Milwaukee but he does know that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Informant said that Kansas City has for quite a period of time felt that the Milwaukee organization is not making enough money. He said that when JOE GURERA came to town he was sent here definitely by Kansas City outfit to organize the collections from gamblers and tavern keepers. He pointed out that prior to the gamblers in Milwaukee being approached on paying so much a week to the Milwaukee outfit that certain meetings were held among the leaders of the Italian outfit in Milwaukee and that JOE GURERA was present at these meetings, openly told them that he had been sent here to start collections from gamblers to show the Milwaukee boys how to operate. Informant said that JOE GURERA was definitely not a top man in Kansas City but was a muscleman for the outfit and suspected of several murders there.

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Informant said that JOE GAGLIANO, [REDACTED] TONY PETROLLE, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and MIKE ALBANO are definitely in the doghouse

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with JOE GURERA, FRANK BALISTRERI, STEVE DI SALVO and BUSTER BALESTRENE because when the gamblers were approached originally concerning paying so much a week to the outfit for operating their book, the above individuals bucked the outfit. They made calls to prominent Italians in the outfits at Cleveland, Kansas City, Chicago, and ANDY LOCOCCO in California in an effort to have these men intercede for them with the outfit so that they would not have to make weekly payments in order to participate in gambling. He said that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

INFORMANT SAID THE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Informant felt that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He said he did not think it would be [REDACTED] as they have a [REDACTED]

more so than the others. Informant said that he has learned by contacting someone such as [REDACTED]

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He explained that the "top ten", actually may be more or less than ten members, are the top men in the U.S. who control the Italian organization throughout the U.S. He said [REDACTED] could obtain favors from the Milwaukee outfit or any other one by asking for them but could not over-rule any local action such as collection from gamblers.

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Informant said that [redacted] must have met some Kansas City hoodlums [redacted]

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[redacted] He said that he was unable to learn of the identity of the individuals [redacted]

Informant said that he understood that "Milwaukee Phil" ALDERISIO was in Milwaukee on the night of August 9, 1962, and that some sort of a meeting was held with FRANK BALISTRERI, BUSTER BALESTRERE, JOE GURERA, and STEVE DI SALVO; and he does not know where or what took place.

Informant said that the outfit is planning to open up a new crap game at 1226 No. Milwaukee Street in approximately two to three weeks and that they plan to run two or three days a week. He said that the place where they are going to operate is now being re-decorated and rather lavishly furnished and that MIKE ALBANO is going to run this crap game, at least back it financially. He said that ALBANO is the owner of Angelo's Pizza Place at 16th and Wells Street in Milwaukee. Informant said that the outfit in Milwaukee will definitely have an interest in this game and that JOE GURERA and STEVE DI SALVO will probably look out for the outfit's interest there. He said that as usual FRANK BALISTRERI will receive a cut from the profits but will stay in the background entirely. Informant was not absolutely certain of the address of the new crap game but said that he would furnish the address as soon as the game was started.

In connection with pay offs to the Milwaukee outfit by Milwaukee taverns and night clubs, informant said that the outfit is [redacted]

Informant said he believes this is because [redacted]

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in the past. Informant said that as far as he knows JOE GURERA, and STEVE DI SALVO have not approached any other night clubs or taverns as yet on a pay off; however, [redacted]

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In regards to JOE ALIOTO, son of JOHN ALIOTO, the former leader of the Italian outfit of Milwaukee, informant said that JOE ALIOTO is naturally in the organization in Milwaukee; but, like his father, he would have someone else do any dirty work. He further advised that JOE ALIOTO would not be consulted on any matters by the Italian hoodlums unless it was a matter of extreme importance on policy in operations of the outfit. Informant said that JOE GURERA is still holding meetings with hoodlums at the office at the Para Corporation. He said that he has noted that [redacted] is becoming very close to STEVE DI SALVO and JOE GURERA and is seen with them very often. Informant pointed out that [redacted] is a strong-arm man who is suspected of being used by the outfit for some murders in the past and that if any gambler was murdered by the outfit in the near future, he would not be surprised if [redacted] was given the job.

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Informant said that BUSTER BALESTRERE for the past two or three weeks seems to have been in the dog house with the outfit. He said that BUSTER is devoting his time to running the Acino Cleaners on South First Street where the gamblers pay a weekly amount to the outfit for gambling and that BUSTER is in on the profits at "the office" where a large book is running, but he does not help run it or have any say in it. He said he does not know the reason for BUSTER being in the dog house with the outfit but would endeavor to find out. He said that [redacted] is now working for BUSTER at [redacted] and making pick-ups; and, according to informant, [redacted] is one of the better known burglars in the Milwaukee area.

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Informant said that [redacted] operator of the [redacted] is a very close friend of FRANK BALISTRIERI and also has close contacts with top members of the Italian organization of Cicero, Ill. He said that [redacted] FRANK BALISTRIERI and that the two have a great deal of respect for each other

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[redacted]
and will [redacted] He said that [redacted]
places a great many more race cars with "the office" run
by STEVE DI SALVO, [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Milwaukee (92-262)

DATE: 8/23/62

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION"
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AR - CONSPIRACY

On 8/17/62, a conference was held at [REDACTED] with
the following individuals in attendance: SAC and SA
[REDACTED] Milwaukee Office, FBI: [REDACTED]
and [REDACTED]
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The purpose of the conference was to insure that all
suitable information was being properly disseminated by
this Office to [REDACTED]
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At this meeting the assembled [REDACTED] were fully
informed of the gambling operation at 3014 W. Pierce St.
(note this had previously been disseminated orally to
[REDACTED] on 7/13/62, and without knowledge of this
dissemination [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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The [REDACTED] were advised of the identity of the
persons running the booking operation; namely, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and JOE ALIOTO and of the fact that
STEVE DI SALVO was the manager.

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They were also advised of the identity of certain of the
major bookies dealing with this group: namely [REDACTED]
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They were advised that our aim was that a Federal case which
we could take into court on a Conspiracy basis and involve
members of the Milwaukee syndicate group be developed.

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They were also informed of information received from informants as to the possibility that one of the local gamblers was to be hit for his refusal to pay off and that the group was now exacting tribute from certain of the night club owners in Milwaukee; namely, the Holiday House, [REDACTED]

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They were informed that if JOE GURERA could be tied in with either the gambling or the other hoodlum activities by means of admissible evidence that a fairly good chance existed of making a Federal case against him for ITAR.

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[REDACTED] requested that [REDACTED] of [REDACTED]
the [REDACTED]

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and this office.

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As an observation it was apparent that [REDACTED]
and [REDACTED] are feuding.

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ADDENDUM: BY SAC JOSEPH L. KISSIAH

During the above referred to conference, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I pointed out
during this conference on at least two occasions that I
would not want any [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in this city at the
request of the FBI.

SAC, Milwaukee (94-316)

8/23/62

SA [REDACTED]

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FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, aka
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The following information was obtained 8/17/62
from [REDACTED]

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In connection with the visit to Milwaukee of
"Milwaukee Phil" ALDERISIO around August 9, 1962, [REDACTED]
received information from an informant of his that

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] did not know whether informant obtained this in-
formation in connection with the most recent visit of
ALDERISIO or based on some previous contact with [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] also said he had received information very
recently from the hoodlum group that if he, [REDACTED] could
[REDACTED] would be [REDACTED]
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Q. Q
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 8/28/62

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		8/23/62
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
JOE GURERA, AR	92-257	THOMPSON
FRANK BALISTRERI, aka AR	94-316	[redacted]
THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION" Etal, AR- Conspiracy	92-262	[redacted]
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive		
<p>Informant said that he had [redacted] [redacted] and while he was [redacted] he had received information from [redacted] that [redacted] [redacted] FRANK BALISTRERI as to [redacted] [redacted] Informant said that he understood the [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] Informant said that JOE GURERA had [redacted] [redacted]</p> <p>Informant said that there is a possibility that the out- fit plans to [redacted]</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.		
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During the next week

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and informant said that he would advise the writer.

Informant said that he had learned that the walkin gambling place on North Milwaukee Street was to be in the 1000 block and that

[redacted]

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IN THIS PHOTO FRANK BALISTRERI

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Informant also said that he had understood from various sources that the outfit has now been given a piece of the Holiday House.

Informant said that JOE ALIOTO, son of PAPA JOHN, is now the Number 2 man in Milwaukee.

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THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION"
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MILWAUKEE DIVISION
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On 8/27/62, the annual Italian Invitational Golf Tournament was held at Tuckaway Country Club, Milwaukee, Wisc.

[redacted] advised this date that there were a number of Chicago hoodlums in Milwaukee apparently in connection with this tournament. He specifically said that [redacted] and a [redacted] named [redacted] were in town on Sunday, August 26, and [redacted]

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It is requested that you determine the registered owners of the licenses listed and advise of any pertinent information connecting them with hoodlum activities contained in your files. Please furnish 4 copies of your reply.

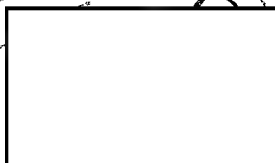
The license numbers observed are as follows:

[redacted] --'61 Ford, [redacted] colored;
[redacted] --Cadillac, [redacted]
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[redacted] --Cadillac, [redacted]
[redacted] --Oldsmobile, [redacted] colored;
[redacted] --Ford, [redacted];

[redacted] --Oldsmobile, [redacted]

[redacted] --Cadillac;

[redacted] --Chrysler, [redacted] colored;

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[redacted] --Oldsmobile

[redacted] --Cadillac, [redacted] colored;

[redacted] --Cadillac, [redacted] colored.

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Transmit the following in CODE
(Type in plain text or code)Via RADIOGRAM URGENT
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TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY

FROM: SAC, Milwaukee (92-262) 261635

THE CRIMINAL QUOTE COMMISSION UNQUOTE, ETAL. MILWAUKEE DIVISION.
AR DASH CONSPIRACY.

PLEASE FURNISH IMMEDIATELY IDENTITY OF REGISTERED OWNER OF
MO. LICENSE [REDACTED] EX. MARCH SIXTYTHREE,
OBSERVED ON SIXTYTWO [REDACTED] OCT. TWENTYFIVE LAST
AT MILWAUKEE; AND MO. LICENSE [REDACTED] EX.
SEPT. SIXTYTWO, OBSERVED ON SIXTYTWO [REDACTED] OCT. TWENTYFOUR AT
MILWAUKEE. ADVISE IF ANY HOODLUM CONNECTIONS KNOWN AND, IF SO,
FURNISH DETAILS.

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(1) *[Signature]*Approved: *[Signature]*
Special Agent in ChargeSent 11:12A M Per WCP

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Date September 3, 1962

The following observations were made by SA [REDACTED]
on August 22, 1962:

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At 2:05 P.M., at the rear of 1634 North Jackson Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the residence of BUSTER BALESTRERE, it was observed that BUSTER's Chevrolet was parked there, and at this time a 1951 Studebaker pickup carrying a pin-ball machine arrived. The license on the truck was Wisconsin commercial [REDACTED] registered to [REDACTED] Milwaukee. The driver, who was approximately 45 years of age, 5'10", 165 lbs., having curly black receding hair and wearing glasses, was observed entering the residence. No further observations were made at this location.

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At 2:20 P.M., at 1009 North VanBuren Street, being the location of the S&L Cleaners, it was observed that a 1959 Dodge [REDACTED] truck bearing Wisconsin commercial license [REDACTED] was parked. This truck is registered to [REDACTED]. It is noted that [REDACTED] S&L Cleaners.

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At 2:30 P.M., observation was made of the residence of FRANK PETER BALISTRERI, 3043 North Shepard, and BALISTRERI's car was observed there along with a 1962 [REDACTED] Oldsmobile. Wisconsin license [REDACTED] registered to [REDACTED].

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At 2:35 P.M., JOE GURERA's car was parked at his residence, 2608 East Newport.

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by SA [REDACTED] bs [REDACTED] Date dictated 8/28/62

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

October 29, 1962

THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION

ANTI-RACKETEERING-Conspiracy

The following is a characterization of informants used
in report of SA [redacted] dated and captioned as
above;

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MI T-1 is an individual (hoodlum and gambler), who associates
with members of the outfit at Milwaukee;

MI T-2 is an Italian-American in Milwaukee who by virtue of
his background is acquainted with most of the members
of the Italian hoodlum organization in Milwaukee;

MI T-3 is an Italian-American from Kansas City who is
acquainted with members of the hoodlum organization
in that city;

MI T-4 is an Italian-American from Kansas City who is
acquainted with members of the hoodlum organization
in that city;

MI T-5 is a very reliable source not available for recontact;

MI T-6 is an individual who by virtue of his occupation has
had occasion to become well acquainted with FRANK
PETER BALISTRIERI and his associates in Milwaukee;

MI T-7 is an Italian-American who is acquainted with a number
of the members of the Italian-American hoodlum outfit
in Milwaukee;

MI T-8 is a highly reliable source not available for recontact.

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REPORTING OFFICE Milwaukee	OFFICE OF ORIGIN New York	DATE 10/29/62	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 10/23/61 - 10/18/62
TITLE OF CASE THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY db b6 b7C
		CHARACTER OF CASE AR - Conspiracy	

REFERENCES

Report SA dated 5/10/62 at Milwaukee;
Bureau letter to Milwaukee dated 9/10/62 captioned
"Criminal Commission, Etal" but bearing
Bufile 92-3116 (FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI).

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ENCLOSURES

To Bureau and offices receiving copies this report:
Letterhead memorandum characterizing informants
used in this report.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

The period is extended in this report to include information obtained from Kansas City in October, 1961.

LEADS

THE MILWAUKEE DIVISION:

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

Will continue to obtain and report information established re the existence and activities of Milwaukee hoodlums making up the criminal commission in this Division and their contacts with their counterparts in other areas of the U.S.

INFORMANTS

MI T-1 is [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted]

MI T-2 is [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted]

MI T-3 is [redacted]

MI T-4 is [redacted]

MI T-5 is [redacted]

MI T-6 is PCI [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted]

MI T-7 is PCI [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted]

MI T-8 is MI 616-C*

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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

Copy to:

Report of:
Date:

SA [REDACTED]

October 29, 1962

Office:

Milwaukee

Field Office File No.:

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Bureau File No.:

92-6054

Title:

THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION

Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING - Conspiracy

Synopsis:

Question whether FRANK PETER BALISTRERI is still top man in Milwaukee. GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO are the most active and continue to collect tribute from bookies and allegedly from a limited number of night spots. GURERA sent [REDACTED] to Kansas City for money and reportedly stated he was sent to Milwaukee to collect and show Milwaukee how to operate. GURERA at Kansas City 9/9/62 and met THOMAS "Highway" SIMONE. GURERA, BUSTER BALESTRERE and DE SALVO allegedly to Hot Springs, Ark., 3/62, to get okay for collections from gamblers. Unable to verify travel. JOE GURERA possibly to Las Vegas 4/62. Unable to verify. Hoodlums from out of town to Milwaukee to meet with above—ANTHONY MANIARACINA of Kansas City in May; JOHN MOLLE of Kansas City and [REDACTED] in August; [REDACTED] Kansas City, transferred to Milwaukee allegedly to help GURERA organize; ROCCO FISCHETTI and [REDACTED] both Chicago, at tournament in August; FISCHETTI [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in September, and [REDACTED] of Las Vegas in August.

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DETAILS:

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At Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

EXISTENCE

On August 1, 1962, [REDACTED]

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The following information was obtained from MI T-1 on May 13, 1962:

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, STEVE DE SALVO and BUSTER BALESTRENE were still operating Acme Cleaners, 1012 South First, as a collection station for bookies who had previously been required to pay off weekly to the outfit for the privilege of operating. On June 1, 1962, informant said that this establishment was legitimately operated as a cleaning establishment [REDACTED] and that GURERA had installed [REDACTED] in the place to collect the gambling pay offs. Informant said that although GURERA was making all decisions on behalf of FRANK PETER BALISTRERI concerning policy, permission to operate, etc., that BALISTRERI still is the man behind the scenes and receiving a major portion of the pay offs.

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On July 23, 1962, this informant said that at this time he believed that GURERA was taking over Milwaukee on behalf of the Kansas City outfit, that pay offs by bookies still continue at Acme Cleaners; and, in addition, GURERA and BUSTER BALESTRENE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Date June 29, 1962

The following observations were made by reporting agents:

At 11:35 AM, STEVE DE SALVO and JOE GURERA were observed in STEVE's car to stop in front of 1012 South 1st Street. They did not get out of the car, and remained there only for a matter of two or three minutes. They then proceeded west on Mineral Street to 24th, and then to National Avenue to 29th Street, and north to Pierce Street. They stopped in front of 3014 West Pierce Street and DE SALVO entered this address while GURERA stayed in the car at 11:45 AM.

At 11:52 AM DE SALVO returned, and they drove back to 1012 South First Street, where they parked DE SALVO's car on Mineral Street at First and entered 1012 South First Street.

At 11:55 AM they left this address with two other men in a 1962 [redacted] Buick. Wisconsin license number [redacted] registered to [redacted]

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They picked up a fifth individual at the intersection of 13th and Oklahoma Avenue at 12:05 PM and then drove to Sportsman's Park, Palatine, Illinois, arriving there at approximately 1:55 PM.

The description of the three individuals who accompanied DE SALVO and GURERA is as follows:

The driver of the above Buick was approximately 50 years of age, 5'6", 150 pounds, very dark complexion, wearing olive brown suit.

The second man who left with them was [redacted] years of age, 5'11", 170 pounds, dark hair, fair complexion, wearing slacks and white shirt.

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The individual picked up at 13th and Oklahoma was approximately [redacted] years of age, 6', 220 pounds, light brown hair, crew cut.

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MI T-2 advised on August 23, 1962, that [redacted]

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[redacted] by FRANK BALISTRERI and therefore [redacted]

[redacted] This informant stated that JOE ALIOTO, who is the son of "PAPA JOHN" ALIOTO, is now the Number 2 man behind BALISTRERI in Milwaukee and that "PAPA JOHN" had previously been the head man until BALISTRERI took over in late 1961.

On August 17, 1962, MI T-1 said that JOE GURERA had sent [redacted] to Kansas City a couple of weeks earlier to get some money, and the informant had now learned that the money came from the Kansas City outfit; and although he does not know the amount he did point out that [redacted]

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[redacted] This informant said that for some time Kansas City had felt that Milwaukee was not making enough money, and GURERA after his arrival here in February held meetings with the Italian outfit in Milwaukee and openly told the leaders that he had been sent here to start collections from gamblers and to show the Milwaukee boys how to operate. Informant pointed out that GURERA had not been a top man in Kansas City but rather had been a musclemen and was suspected of several murders there.

On August 23, 1962, this informant also said that BUSTER BALESTRERE appeared to be in the dog house. He pointed out that while he was still working at Acino Cleaners he was not, as he had done in the past, running around and associating closely with GURERA and DE SALVO. On August 30, 1962, the informant said that "the reason" for this was because BUSTER had made several bad decisions in taking bets while the group was operating a book at Arlington Park in Illinois. The group had been doubtful about certain bets based on the possibility that the races were fixed; and, nevertheless, BUSTER had taken some of them, resulting in the loss of around \$100,000.

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Date July 24, 1962

The following observations relative to JOE GURERA were made by SA [redacted] and other Agents as indicated on the dates and at the times and places noted:

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On July 3, 1962, GURERA's automobile, a 1962 pearl gray Chevrolet, Wisconsin license E60784, was observed parked in the driveway of his residence. At 1:10 PM on this date he was observed to leave in the car and proceed to 1012 South 1st Street, Milwaukee, and arrive there at 1:42 PM, at which time STEVE DI SALVO was noted to be already there.

This address was kept under observation, and at 2:20 PM, DI SALVO and GURERA came out in front of the address, at which time a 1957 [redacted] Ford arrived, and both of these individuals walked over to the car and talked to the driver for two or three minutes. The car was noted to bear current Wisconsin license [redacted] (registered to [redacted] Milwaukee). At 2:25 PM, GURERA and DI SALVO left in GURERA's car. They were not followed.

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On July 6, 1962, at 11:40 AM, GURERA, along with BUSTER BALESTRERE, was observed at the front desk located at 1012 South 1st Street. At 11:52 AM, a 1962 Buick, bearing current Wisconsin license [redacted] arrived, and the driver went inside and was observed to converse with GURERA and BALESTRERE. This individual left at 11:57 AM. (Car registered to [redacted])

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At 12:34 PM, STEVE DI SALVO arrived at this address, driving his car, a 1961 white Pontiac, Wisconsin license A75995. He was accompanied by an unknown man and an unknown woman, who are described as follows: the man was approximately 55 years of age, 5' 9", 165 lbs., flabby appearance, thinning black hair, fat cheeks, dark eyes, pallid complexion. The woman was approximately [redacted] years of age and blonde.

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The man and STEVE DI SALVO left the car and went in to 1012 South 1st Street until 12:44 PM, at which time they departed. They returned at 1:03 PM at which time GURERA came out to the car, which was parked on the east side of 1st Street to the south of 1012 South 1st Street. BUSTER BALESTRERE came out of the door but did not go to the car. BUSTER, STEVE and JOE then went into 1012 South 1st, and STEVE and JOE were observed talking together at the

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by SA [redacted] /bs Date dictated 7/20/62

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desk out of the immediate presence of BALESTRERE. STEVE had some paper which he was exhibiting to GURERA. It was in the form of a tear-out sheet from a sales book and was noted to have a carbon back.

At 1:11 PM, GURERA and DI SALVO went to DI SALVO's car and joined the unknown man and woman, who had remained in the car. BUSTER BALESTRERE went to the street with them, and they waved him to come along, but he declined. They were surveilled as they proceeded south out of Milwaukee on Highway 38, but the surveillance was discontinued at Mitchell Field Airport as they continued south.

At 2:25 PM, it was noted that BUSTER BALESTRERE was still at 1012 South 1st Street, and he remained there until 3:30 PM when the observation was discontinued.

On July 11, 1962, at 10:30 AM, it was observed that STEVE DI SALVO was at 1012 South 1st Street. At 11:06 AM, on this date, JOE GURERA's automobile was observed parked in the driveway of his residence and was kept under observation until 11:44 AM at which time FRANK BALISTRERI drove up to GURERA's residence, and GURERA joined him in BALISTRERI's 1959 Cadillac. They proceeded to 1012 South 1st Street and picked up DI SALVO at 1:59 AM after he had parked his automobile on a lot adjacent to this address at the intersection of South 1st and West Mineral Street.

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The three of them proceeded to Arlington Park Race Track at Palatine, Illinois, where the surveillance was discontinued at 1:55 PM. During the time they were leaving Milwaukee, Special Agent [redacted] was contacted by radio and joined in the surveillance to Illinois.

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On July 12, 1962, at two PM, the following automobiles were observed at the rear of BUSTER BALESTRERE's residence, 1634 North Jackson Street: BALESTRERE's Chevrolet, 1962 white over blue, bearing Wisconsin license E51896; GURERA's Chevrolet; PETER BALISTRERI's Oldsmobile; a 1959 [redacted] Mercury [redacted] Wisconsin license [redacted] (registered to [redacted]); a 1960 white over light blue Chevrolet, Missouri license ZL5-210 (registered to JOHN E. ABNEY, 9911 BlueRidge, Kansas City, Missouri).

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At 8:40 PM on July 12, 1962, BUSTER BALESTRERE's Chevrolet, ABNEY's Chevrolet, [redacted] Mercury and a truck from Unity Cleaners, 1012 South 1st Street, were observed behind BALESTRERE's home. At 11:30 PM, the only cars left there were

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BUSTER's Chevrolet and ABNEY's Chevrolet. [redacted] Mercury was observed at Gallagher's Restaurant; and GURERA's Chevrolet and the Unity Cleaners truck were observed at GURERA's home.

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Also observed at this time in the immediate vicinity of GURERA's residence were a 1961 Chevrolet bearing Wisconsin license B65535 (registered to Wheels Inn, 6200 Northwestern Avenue, Chicago) and a 1962 [redacted] Chevrolet, Massachusetts license [redacted]. At 3:30 AM on this same night (July 12-13), these cars were still parked at the same spot plus which there was an older Chevrolet, approximately 1955, bearing Wisconsin license [redacted] (registered to [redacted]).

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On Sunday, July 15, 1962, at 11:45 AM, SA [redacted] had occasion to go past GURERA's home at which time GURERA's car was noted to be parked in his driveway. Parked in front of his residence was a 1958 Chevrolet bearing name of [redacted] and bearing Wisconsin license [redacted] (registered to [redacted]). The driver of the car was not present, but there was an Italian-appearing man in the passenger seat, being approximately [redacted] years of age, having black wavy hair.

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It is known to Agents that [redacted] is operated by [redacted] who is very active as a bookie in the city of Milwaukee.

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Also parked in front of GURERA's home at this time was a 1959 [redacted] Ford, bearing Wisconsin license [redacted] (registered to [redacted]).

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At 4:30 PM on this date, observation was again made of GURERA's address at which time it was observed that there was a 1962 blue Chevrolet, Wisconsin license J53042 (registered to Milwaukee Car Lease, care of Pratt Manufacturing Company, 3097 West Mill Road).

On July 16, 1962, at 11:45 AM, GURERA was observed in his Chevrolet, which was being serviced and filled with gasoline at the Star Gasoline Station across the Street from 1012 South 1st Street. He was then observed to drive across the street, park his car and enter 1012 South 1st Street and immediately made a telephone call. At 1:45 PM, on this date, his car was noted to be still parked, and although he was not personally seen, BUSTER BALESTRERE was seen in the window of Acino Cleaners, 1012 South 1st Street.

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On July 17, 1962, at 12:30 AM, the following observations were made at GURERA's residence by Agents [redacted]

[redacted] GURERA's car was parked in the driveway and the following listed cars were parked in front of his residence: 1959 Ford, Wisconsin license [redacted] (registered to [redacted]); 1962 Chevrolet, Wisconsin license E65-535 (registered to Wheels Inn., 6200 Northwestern Avenue, Chicago, Illinois); 1962 Chevrolet bearing Missouri license 2L5210 (registered to JOHN ABNEY); and a 1962 Chevrolet bearing Massachusetts license R89-829 (registration not known.)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date August 13, 1962

The following observations were made on August 1, 1962, by
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At 11:50 AM, JOE GURERA was observed at 1012 South First Street with BUSTER BALESTRERE.

At 12 noon, GURERA came out of the above address and STEVE DE SALVO met him at the corner of Mineral and South First Street. They drove in DE SALVO's automobile to 27th and National, where they ate at Skow's Restaurant.

At 12:30 PM they left the restaurant and drove to 15th and Wells, entering West Side Tap, 1513 West Wells Street, at 12:41 PM. They remained there until 12:51 PM and departed and went to Gallagher's Steak House.

At 12:35 PM it was noted that BUSTER BALESTRERE was still at 1012 South First Street.

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Date September 3, 1962

The following observations were made by SA [redacted] on August 22, 1962:

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At 2:05 P.M., at the rear of 1634 North Jackson Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the residence of BUSTER BALESTRERE, it was observed that BUSTER's Chevrolet was parked there, and at this time a 1951 Studebaker pickup carrying a pin-ball machine arrived. The license on the truck was Wisconsin commercial [redacted] registered to [redacted] Milwaukee. The driver, who was approximately 45 years of age, 5'10", 165 lbs., having curly black receding hair and wearing glasses, was observed entering the residence. No further observations were made at this location.

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At 2:20 P.M., at 1009 North VanBuren Street, being the location of the S&L Cleaners, it was observed that a 1959 Dodge [redacted] bearing Wisconsin commercial license [redacted] was parked. This truck is registered to [redacted]. It is noted that [redacted] the S&L Cleaners.

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At 2:30 P.M., observation was made of the residence of FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, 3043 North Shepard, and BALISTRIERI's car was observed there along with a [redacted] Oldsmobile. Wisconsin license [redacted] registered to [redacted].

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At 2:35 P.M., JOE GURERA's car was parked at his residence, 2608 East Newport.

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Date October 8, 1962

The following observations were made by SA [redacted] on October 2, 1962:

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At 1:30 p.m. JOE GURERA's car was observed in front of 1012 South 1st Street, and GURERA and BUSTER BALESTRENE were having a conversation in front of the address. At 1:40 p.m. STEVE DE SALVO arrived, parking his car on Mineral Street between 1st and 2nd. The three of them then went inside the address with GURERA and DE SALVO emerging at 1:45 p.m. and spent a few minutes talking in GURERA's automobile, both departing at 2:02 p.m.

Upon leaving this address they drove to the Radio Communications Company, 1020 East Land Street where they arrived at 2:14 p.m. At 2:26 p.m. they left this place and proceeded to Star Brite Cleaners, 2501 North Humboldt Street, arriving at 2:31 p.m. They remained inside for a short time and at 2:35 p.m. emerged and talked on the sidewalk for a couple of minutes with [redacted] Star Brite Cleaners. They left this address at 2:55 p.m. and the surveillance was discontinued at this point.

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At 3:25 p.m. they were again observed in front of 1012 South 1st Street sitting in GURERA's car and talking and at 3:35 p.m. a third man was observed in the rear of the car. This individual subsequently left in a 1955 Chrysler bearing license [redacted] at 3:50 p.m. This car is registered to [redacted]

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These three individuals discontinued their conversation at 3:44 and entered Acino Cleaners with DE SALVO and GURERA first removing something from the trunk of GURERA's car which they took into the cleaners. It was not possible to observe the nature of this object.

At 3:50 p.m. in addition to [redacted] STEVE DE SALVO left and GURERA departed at 4:10 p.m.

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BUSTER BALESTRENE remained at Acino's except for a few moments to go to the restaurant across the street until 5:02 p.m. when he departed.

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The following information was obtained August 15, 1962, from Kansas City:

The Kansas City Office had previously secured information from the Missouri State Highway Patrol at Lee's Summit, Missouri, that this license was registered to JOHN E. ADNEY, 9911 Blue Ridge, Kansas City, Missouri. A further check of this license reflects that this man's last name had been misspelled and that his correct name is JOHN E. ADNEY, 9911 Blue Ridge.

Current City Directories reflect that [REDACTED]

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On August 13, 1962, [REDACTED] Clerk, Credit Bureau of Greater Kansas City, made available to Special Agent [REDACTED] credit records regarding the ADNEYS. In a report prepared on January 12, 1959, it is indicated that JOHN E. ADNEY [REDACTED] residing at 7400 Wabash [REDACTED] ADNEY had been in the Kansas City area for two years as a career Navy man stationed at the Olathe Naval Air Station. He was also working part-time in the Katz Drug Store, [REDACTED]

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A newspaper article in this file reflects that JOHN E. ADNEY, an Aviation Ordnance man in the Navy, died on April 10, 1960, at Tacoma, Washington, of a cerebral thrombosis. Relatives were listed as follows: Mrs. LIL MARCHESI ADNEY; step-children, JACK, STEPHEN, PAUL and MARLETTE BURN; parents, Mr. and Mrs. CLARK ADNEY, Everett, Washington; sisters, Mrs. MILDRED TAYLOR and Mrs. BETTY SHARLI, Modesto, California. The article indicated that ADNEY's wife was residing at 9911 Blue Ridge.

**TRAVEL OF MILWAUKEE INDIVIDUALS to
KANSAS CITY**

Information having been furnished to Kansas City that FRANK PETER BALISTRERI, BUSTER BALISTRERI AND [REDACTED] also known as [REDACTED] had flown to Kansas City via TWA, [REDACTED]

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October 20, 1961, the Kansas City Office furnished the following information on October 24, 1961:

The records of TWA failed to show any return reservations.

THOMAS "HIGHWAY" SIMONS, Kansas City hoodlum, advised he did not know [redacted]. He stated that he did know FRANK BALISTRERI and that BALISTRERI was likely in town for the wedding and reception of [redacted]

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Reception at Park East Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri. SIMONS advised that he did not see BALISTRERI at the wedding but BALISTRERI was very likely there. He advised it was a prodigious affair and BALISTRERI could have been present without his knowing it.

On October 23, 1961, DANNY LAWSON, Kansas City hoodlum, advised that he had no information regarding BALISTRERI. He advised he was unable to attend the wedding on Saturday so would not know if BALISTRERI was present.

Records at Park East Hotel indicate a [redacted] Milwaukee, checked into the hotel on October 20, 1961. Individual using name [redacted] Chicago, checked in hotel at same time and likely with [redacted] and wife checked out of hotel and on October 23, 1961. [redacted] returned to hotel and checked in alone. [redacted] and [redacted] presently at hotel. Record at hotel indicates JIMMY BALISTRERI and FRANK BALISTRERI attended wedding reception evening of October 21, 1961, as guest of JOHN NOLLE.

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On April 3, 1962, MI T-3 and MI T-4 said that BUSTER BALESTRENE had purchased Peppino's Italian Restaurant and Pizzeria at 51st and Main Street, Kansas City, from an individual [redacted]. Informants said that BUSTER BALESTRENE [redacted] is operating the restaurant, and so far as informants knew BUSTER had purchased it for [redacted] and has nothing to do with it himself.

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Date August 29, 1962

[redacted] may
be obtained by issuance of a subpoena duces tecum issued
to [redacted]
[redacted]

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On 8/28/62 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 165-15
by SA(A) ALBERT G. MACDONALD/lmp/ba Date dictated 8/29/62

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On September 14, 1962, MI T-1 said that JOE GURERA had gone to Kansas City on Thursday or Friday, September 6 or 7, and returned to Milwaukee, Monday, September 10, to attend a big meeting at Gallagher's Restaurant operated by FRANK PETER BALISTRERI on that evening. Informant said that in addition to GURERA, STEVE DE SALVO, BUSTER BALESTRENE, FRANK BALISTRERI and his brother, PETER BALISTRERI, along with Dr. VITO GUARDALABENE met with three unknown individuals from out of town. Informant said further that on the next day, September 11, another meeting was held, this time at the Star Brite Cleaners, 2501 North Holton Street, [redacted]. Informant said that GURERA, DE SALVO and BUSTER BALESTRENE met with three out of town individuals; namely, ROCCO FISCHETTI of Chicago and [redacted] whose whereabouts were unknown to the informant.

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On October 17, 1962, Kansas City advised that MI T-5 said that [redacted]

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**TRAVEL OF MILWAUKEE INDIVIDUALS
OTHER THAN TO KANSAS CITY**

On March 24, 1962, MI T-1 said that GURERA, DE SALVO and BUSTER BALESTRENE were to attend a hoodlum meeting, and on March 30, 1962, informant said that these individuals had gone to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and met with eleven or twelve top individuals from throughout the United States in the Italian-American outfit. Informant said the purpose of the meeting was to get the stamp of approval on the plans of GURERA, et al, to organize Milwaukee gamblers and that upon the return to Milwaukee, GURERA and his associates recontacted gamblers upon whom they had previously put the bite and told them that the setup was definite and the gamblers would have

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to comply. Informant said that he understood the small gamblers who do not turn over 1/3 of their take to the outfit would have to pay \$100 a week and the bigger bookies up to \$500 a week.

Efforts were made unsuccessfully by Milwaukee, Chicago and Little Rock to verify this travel.

MI T-8 advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MI T-1 said that JOE GUNERA is commonly known as JOE JOE.

Efforts to establish travel by GUNERA from Milwaukee to Las Vegas were unsuccessful.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RE CONTACTS
BETWEEN MILWAUKEE AND KANSAS CITY

On July 17, 1962, MI T-6 advised as follows:

Informant said that he recently received information from what he regards as a reliable source, whose identity he is not able to disclose. This information is to the effect that the Kansas City group [REDACTED]

Informant said that Kansas City [REDACTED]

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[redacted] He said that his information was to the effect that this all should [redacted]

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Informant went on to state that in about mid-June FRANK BALISTRERI and some of the Kansas City faction met at the Holiday House. BUSTER BALESTRENE was also present. They had a ringside table and were accompanied by a number of girls presumed to have been from Chicago.

On August 29, 1962, this informant said that although [redacted]

This informant said that over a period of time he had accumulated information about the Italian hoodlum organization, and in his opinion the Mafia was passe and the active working organization is the syndicate which is directed by a council. Informant said that FRANK BALISTRERI has been removed as head of this council, although informant did not yet know BALISTRERI's successor. Informant said that he had information gathered over a period of time which made it appear to him that the syndicate in Kansas City is the hub of authority for the entire United States. He said for example, [redacted] of North Chicago is said to be responsible for Kansas City rather than Chicago.

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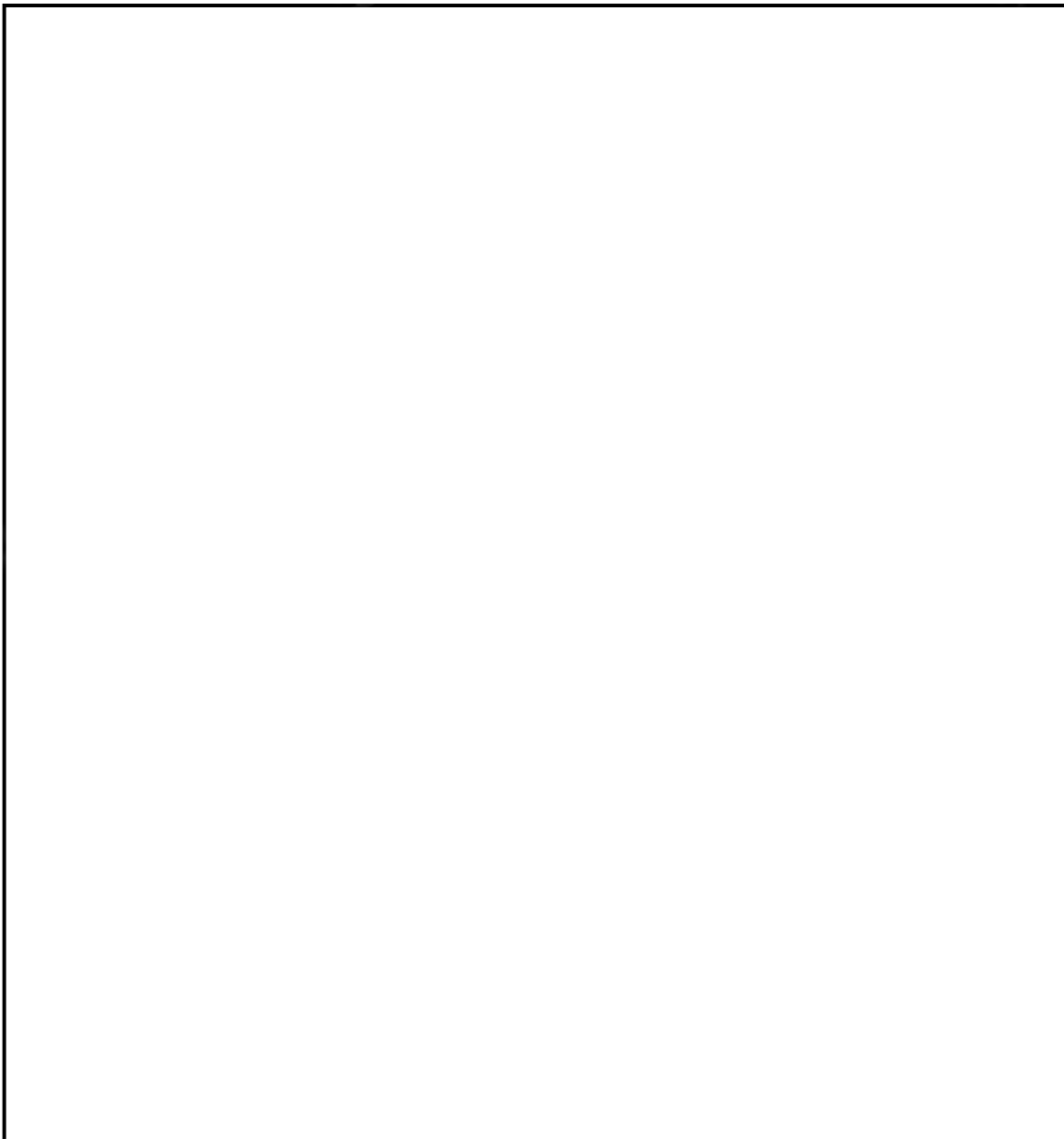
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MI T-1 furnished the following information regarding [REDACTED] on September 21, 1962:

[REDACTED] who is from Kansas City, is a member of the Italian outfit there and a life-long friend of GURERA. He is presently employed in Milwaukee as head of the [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] is working in the same [REDACTED] as a supervisor under [REDACTED] GURERA allegedly made the statement that Kansas City had sent [REDACTED] to Milwaukee to help Milwaukee outfit make some money.

CONTACT BETWEEN MILWAUKEE AND CHICAGO INDIVIDUALS

As pointed out in the immediate preceding section, "Milwaukee Phil" ALDERISIO, was in Milwaukee and met with JOHN MOLLE of Kansas City, GURERA, DE SALVO, EUSTER BALESTRERE and FRANK BALISTRIERI on August 9, 1962.

In connection with this meeting, [REDACTED]

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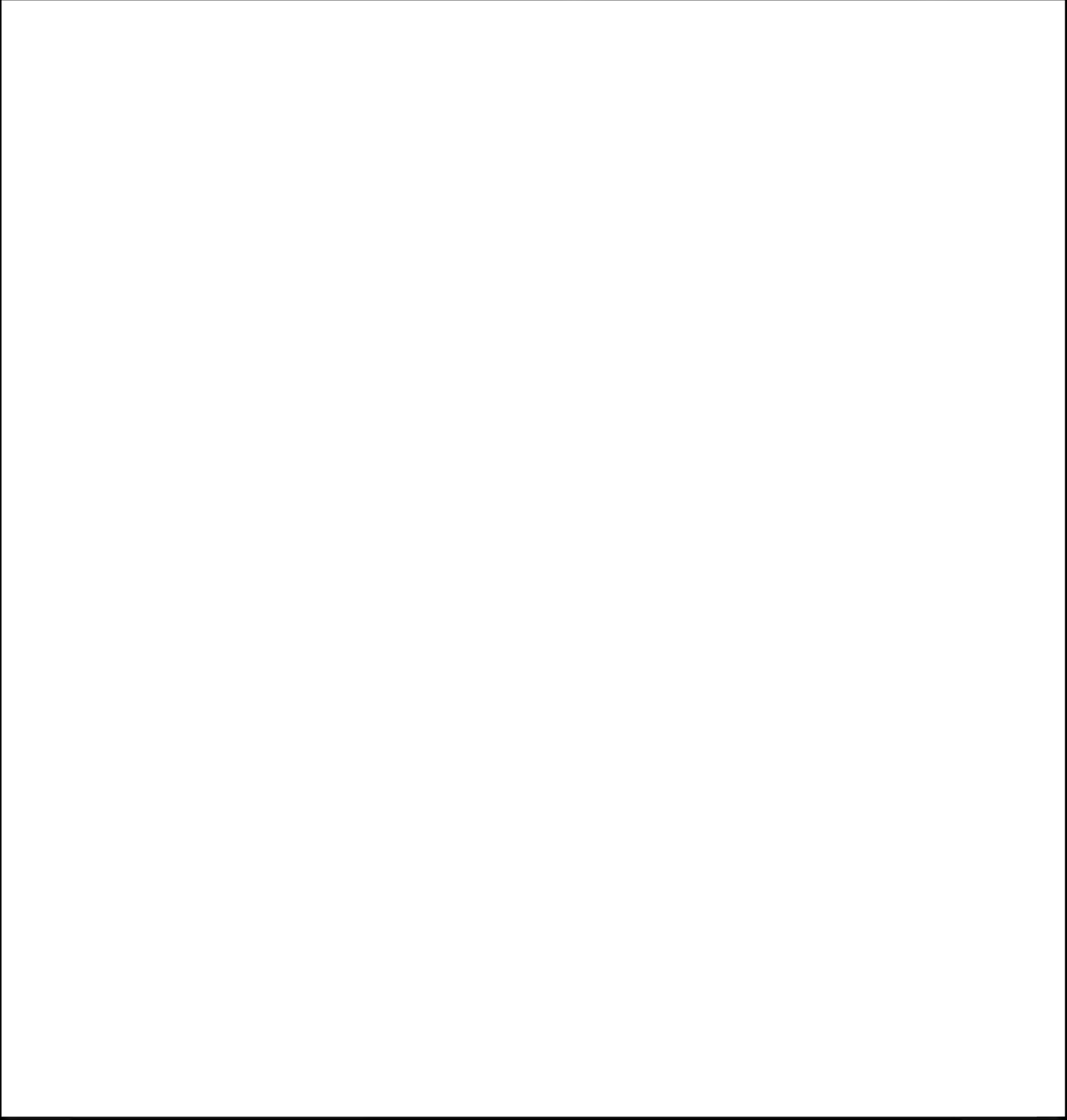
On August 27, 1962, a one-day golf tournament was held at Tuckaway Country Club, Milwaukee, where [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is a member. This tournament has become an annual affair and was [REDACTED] MI T-7 advised that [REDACTED]

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ROCCO FISCHETTI, and [REDACTED] of Chicago had been in attendance at this tournament and so far as he knew their only reason for being here was to play golf.



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**CONTACTS BETWEEN MILWAUKEE AND INDIVIDUALS
OTHER THAN KANSAS CITY AND CHICAGO**

On October 8, 1962, MI T-1 said that an individual by the name of [redacted] had [redacted]

[redacted] Informant said this could be identical with [redacted]

[redacted] Vegas, who is connected with [redacted]

[redacted] Informant said that GURERA, FRANK BALISTRERI

and [redacted] had all [redacted]

[redacted] Informant said that from conversations he has overheard, [redacted]

Vegas to Chicago on a monthly basis and meets with the Chicago boys at two "key clubs" in Chicago, one known as Andraes and the other as the Playboy.

This informant also said that two young Italians from Milwaukee had gone to Las Vegas several months ago and obtained jobs at the Stardust Hotel as maintenance and dice table boys [redacted]

[redacted] These individuals were CARMEN PETRANGULO and CARL CICERELLO.

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*In Reply, Please Refer to
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
October 29, 1962

Title **THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION**

Character **ANTI-RACKETEERING - Conspiracy**

Reference **Report of SA [redacted]
dated and captioned as above.**

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All sources (except any listed below) used in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (157-NEW)

UNSUBS; BOMBING OF BAKERY OF PETER SCIORTINO, OCTOBER
TWENTY FIVE, NINETEEN SIXTY TWO, BOMBING MATTERS.

DAILY NEWSPAPER OF MILWAUKEE, OCT. TWENTY SIX, INSTANT,
CARRIED STORY REPORTING EXPLOSION OF AN APPARENT BOMB, BLOWING
A HOLE THROUGH THE REAR WALL OF PETER SCIORTINO-S BAKERY, ONE
ONE ZERO ONE E. BRADY, MILWAUKEE, NO ONE INJURED. FIREMEN
CALLED TO THE SCENE AT ELEVEN FIFTY PM, OCTOBER TWENTY FIVE.

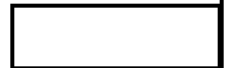
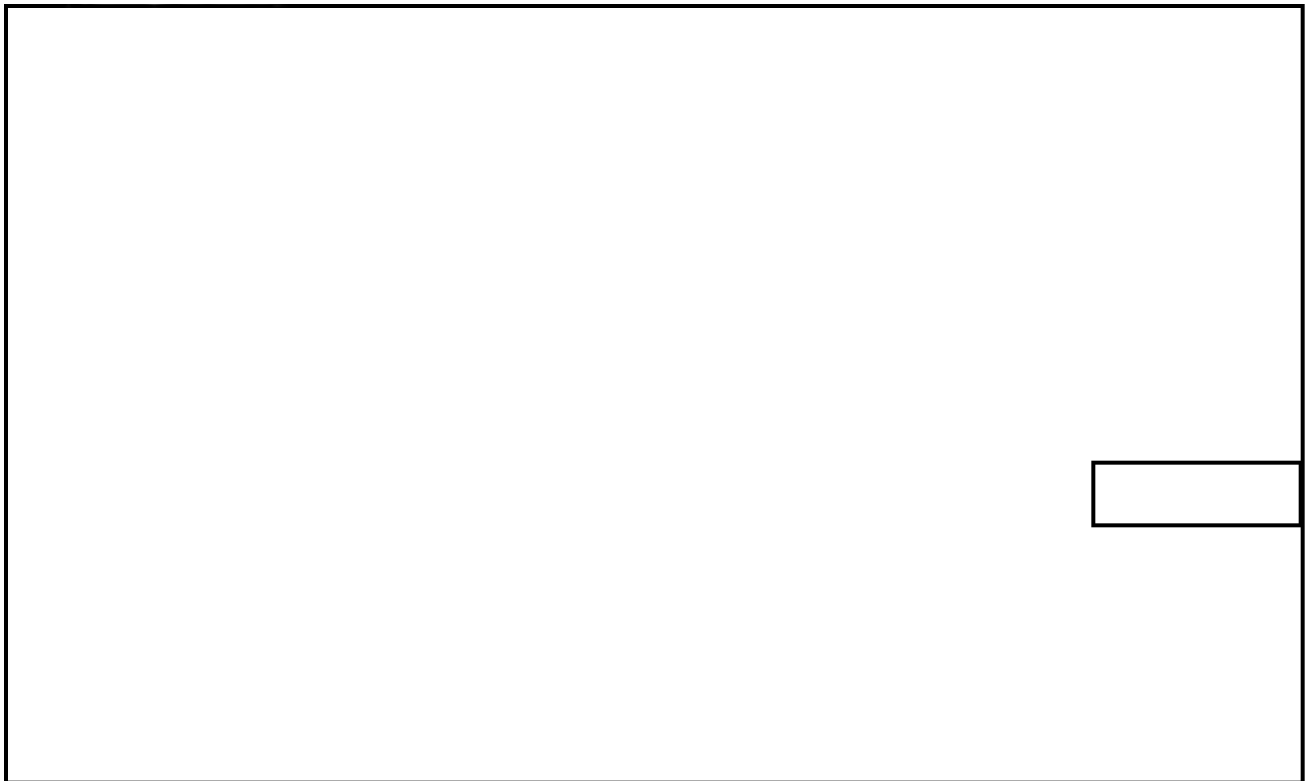
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NO BUREAU INVESTIGATION REQUESTED AND NONE RECOMMENDED
AT THIS POINT BEYOND MAINTAINING [REDACTED]
CONTACTING LOGICAL INFORMANTS. NO PRESS INQUIRIES RECEIVED.
REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS AS TO HANDLING OF ANY PRESS INQUIRIES THAT
MIGHT BE RECEIVED. BUREAU FACILITIES OF FBI LAB AND IDENTIFICATION
DIVISION AND COVERING OF OUT OF STATE LEADS [REDACTED]

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**NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS AND LETTERHEAD MEMO BEING FORWARDED
THIS DATE BY ROUTING SLIP. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF PERTINENCE
WILL BE SUBMITTED AS RECEIVED.**

Milwaukee, Wisconsin
October 26, 1962

MI 157-New

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
Bombing of Bakery of
PETER SCIORTINO 10/25/62
BOMBING MATTERS

The Milwaukee Sentinel of October 26, 1962 reported an apparent bomb explosion Thursday (October 25, 1962) night, which blew a hole through the rear wall of Peter Sciortino's Bakery, 1101-7 East Brady Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, with no one being injured.

The following information was obtained from [redacted]
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Milwaukee indices reflect no information on [redacted] but do show the following information on JOSEPH SCIORTINO, no connection known, who formerly had a bake shop next to JOHN ALIOTO's restuarant loated at the corner of Michigan and Van Buren Streets. This information was furnished by PCI [redacted] on 1/15/58 to SA [redacted] and was found in [redacted] JOHN ALIOTO (head of the mafia) wanted to buy JOSEPH SCIORTINO's bake shop, JOSEPH SCIORTINO being an old time member of the Chicago organization. SCIORTINO refused to sell and ALIOTO then put heat on JACK ENEA to pressure SCIORTINO into selling (ENEA being a brother-in-law to SCIORTINO). A terrific argument ensued, during which ENEA told ALIOTO to go to hell and this provided ALIOTO the excuse he had been seeking for a long time to have ENEA killed.

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ENEA was killed and according to informant VITA AIELLO did the killing inasmuch as he had a score to settle with ENEA who, according to informant, had killed VITO's brother FRANK AIELLO with a shdgun about 25 years earlier.

Contact was had with [] on 10/26/62 and he said that [] had come from New York about 10 or 12 years ago and started []. He said that he felt that the explosion was not meant to do any harm, but only to scare Italians into paying the tribute which is being demanded by JOE GURERA and his associates.

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Contact is also being had with other informants who might furnish pertinent information relative to this matter. [] said that he would keep this office informed of developments in the investigation and [] Special Assignment Squad, said he would contact informants known to him to endeavor to determine the cause and the persons responsible for this explosion.

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The name of [] having been furnished by [] as a "firecracker man" was furnished to [] as a potential suspect in this case along with information that [] was employed at Acino Cleaners by JOE GURERA. [] was also shown the contents of an anonymous letter received by this office October 22, stating that FRANK BALISTRERI, his friend [] and two other men from Kansas City have been demanding 30% protection money from people in business and that they had already asked [] of Amato & Guardalabene Funeral home.

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RADIOGRAM

URGENT

TO: SAC, ST. LOUIS

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257) 301606

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AKA AR. OO: MILWAUKEE.

RE MILWAUKEE AIRTEL OCTOBER FIVE LAST, REQUESTING
INFORMATION RE LEONARD PRODUCE CO.

PLEASE HANDLE AND ADVISE IMMEDIATELY AS INFORMATION MAY BE
PERTINENT TO RECENT BOMBING OF ITALIAN BAKERY IN MILWAUKEE.

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SAC, Chicago

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SAC, Milwaukee (92-262) P

THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION
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On 10/26/62, [redacted]

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In this respect, [redacted]

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It is requested that your office furnish available information and a photograph of [redacted] and any indication you have that he or other syndicate representatives are coming to Milwaukee so that their activities may be appropriately covered.

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AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MILWAUKEE
FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-935) P
RE: THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION"; ET AL -
MILWAUKEE DIVISION
AR - CONSPIRACY

OO: Milwaukee

Reurad 10-26-62.

On 10-30-62, Missouri Motor Vehicle Department records were checked for 1962 Missouri licenses CY8-839 and [redacted] The following information was obtained:

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CY8-839 was issued new on 3-9-62 to JOHN BALESTRERE, 8809 East 84th Street, Raytown, Missouri, for a 1962 Chevrolet Coupe, VIN 218478160375. Missouri title #1272710 issued 3-20-62 to BALESTRERE, indicated this Chevrolet Impala Spt. Coupe was purchased 3-9-62 from MELVIN HILLIARD CHEVROLET CO., 3912 Prospect Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri. There was no lien listed.

820-779 was renewed 9-25-61 and issued to [redacted] [redacted] Missouri, for a 1960 Ford [redacted] VIN [redacted] There is no 1963 renewal information available in the MVD files at this time.

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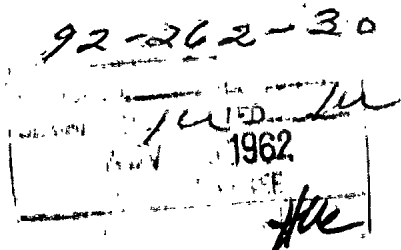
Missouri title [redacted] was issued 8-19-60 to [redacted] for this [redacted] and a chattel mortgage of \$2,173.68 was issued in favor of First National Bank of Independence. This vehicle was purchased 7-26-60 from RAY SMITH FORD, INC., Raytown, Missouri.

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On 10-30-62, [redacted], Auto Theft and Information Bureau, Missouri State Highway Patrol, stated that she has no stolen report on the foregoing licenses.

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to reflect any significant relationship between [redacted] and hoodlums; however, due to the similarity in names between this individual and known members of the criminal organization, investigation will continue to determine his relationship with these persons. It is pointed out that

[redacted] should not be confused with [redacted]

[redacted] Kansas City, Missouri. Investigation will also continue to determine whether [redacted] has any connection with the [redacted] family.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Milwaukee (92-262)

DATE: 11/9/62

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION

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Date: 11/13/62

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (92-2300)
SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION"
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Rerep of SA [redacted] dated 6/29/62, New York;
Bureau airtel to New York, 5/29/62; and New York airtel to
Bureau, 4/3/62.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 11/14/62

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]
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Dates of Contact

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Titles and File #s on which contacted

<u>THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION</u>	<u>92-262</u>
<u>FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, aka AR</u>	<u>94-316</u>
<u>JOE GURERA, AR</u>	<u>92-257</u>
<u>BOMBING OF SCIORTINO'S BAKERY</u>	<u>157-98</u>

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ Negative
☐ Positive

PCI knows the following individuals who regularly work at or hang around Gallagher's Restaurant and described their functions as follows:

FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, boss;

PETER FRANK BALISTRIERI, his brother and initially held out as boss but now appears to not have any authority;

JOE GURERA, who operates part-time as the boss, maitre d' and bartender and seems to be well respected by all other persons connected with Gallagher's;

☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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STEVE DE SALVO, constant companion of GURERA;

[REDACTED] girl friend of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] at Gallagher's;

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (LNU), [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED]
about [REDACTED] years, [REDACTED] and very peculiar as though
doped on occasions;

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[REDACTED] PETER
BALISTRIERI, resides in the vicinity of [REDACTED] and
[REDACTED] with her mother;

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] acts as [REDACTED] approximately
[REDACTED] years, very small and without any authority;

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED], status unknown but comes in occasionally and
seems to have authority;

[REDACTED] for group
who are constantly in the place and in conference
with FRANK, PETER, GURERA and STEVE;

Dr. GUARDALABENE, very steady customer;

[REDACTED] and sometimes [REDACTED] are in the
place frequently.

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[REDACTED] whereabouts not known to the informant. From
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Informant said that an incident had recently come to
informant's attention which appeared to be [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] The circumstances were as follows:

Informant was [REDACTED]

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Informant said that [redacted]

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Informant promised to remain alert for the appearance of out-of-town individuals and to furnish other information relative to the activities of the principals involved in [redacted]

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SAC, Milwaukee (92-262) P

THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION"
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The following information was received 11/16/62 from [redacted] who
while [redacted] caught and [redacted]
[redacted] Since his [redacted] he has pre-
pared [redacted] which was

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[redacted] Publicity ensued relative to seizure by
Internal Revenue Service of BALISTRERI's records, including

[redacted] furnished the following information on 11/16/62:

On 11/9/62, he was at [redacted] and
observed an individual named [redacted] last name unknown, [redacted]
[redacted] in company with another individual who
gave his name as [redacted] asked [redacted]
about a mutual friend of theirs. one [redacted] and this
apparently provided [redacted]
[redacted] which they did in an ensuing
conversation. He said they [redacted]

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On Sunday, 11/11/62, [redacted] received a message to [redacted]
[redacted] He went there, and a
man introducing himself as [redacted] whom
[redacted] claimed not to know said that he was acquainted with
[redacted] background and that [redacted] had some friends in
Chicago who had [redacted]

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[redacted] on to tell [redacted] that on 11/10/62 [redacted]

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[redacted] added that he had heard from another source that BATTAGLIA was in Milwaukee selling liquor for the Christmas trade. [redacted] said that he did not recall [redacted] and did not know who [redacted] was and that while he knew BATTAGLIA by reputation he did not know him personally.

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The above information is furnished with the request that you advise whether any information has come to your attention which would fit. It is not believed that any active investigation need be conducted beyond inquiring of informants in the regular course of contact as [redacted] has in the past furnished information that is somewhat less than accurate and reliable. It would be appreciated, however, if you would furnish a photograph of [redacted] if known to your files and a description of automobiles used by these individuals. Also, whether [redacted] is known to you.

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AIRMAIL

To: SAC, CHICAGO
From: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262) P
Subject: THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION"
ETAL
AR - CONSPIRACY

On 11/20/62, at 5:30 PM, the following described cars were observed at the rear of Gallagher's Restaurant, 829 North 3rd Street, Milwaukee--Gallagher's being operated by FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, top hoodlum in Milwaukee Division:

1956 [redacted] Chevrolet [redacted]
Illinois tag [redacted];

1961 [redacted] Thunderbird, Ill. license [redacted]

1962 gray Pontiac, Indiana license LN 7254.

Information has been received relative to the presence in Milwaukee and contact with BALISTRIERI and his associates at Gallagher's of two unidentified white males, approximately [redacted] years of age, [redacted] well dressed, possibly brothers, using the given names of [redacted]

In effort to identify these individuals, request prompt determination of registered owners of above vehicles and advice as to whether any hoodlum activities known.

2 Chicago (Regular Mail)
2 Indianapolis(AM)
2 Milwaukee (92-262)

MI copy: Also observed past several days at Gallagher's, including the above occasion, a 1962 blue Chevrolet, Wisc. License R11-294 (registered to US Gypsum Co)

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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)

FROM: SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (92-549) (P)

THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION"
ET AL
AR-CONSPIRACY

Re Milwaukee airtel to Chicago, 11/21/62.

Records of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles reflect
1962 Indiana License LN 7254 is registered to S and W
Leasing Co., 411 Pine, Michigan City, Indiana.

This firm is being contacted to identify the driver of
instant vehicle.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee

DATE: 12/7/62

FROM : SA

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SUBJECT:

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Dates of Contact	
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Titles and File #s on which contacted	
FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, AR	94-316
JOSEPH GURERA, AR	92-257
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal-Conspiracy	92-262
Purpose and results of contact	
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On 11/28 and 29/62, informant said that JOE GURERA was back	
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FRANK BALISTRIERI is very interested in

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[REDACTED] which subject matter was unknown to informant.

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[REDACTED] he was disturbed by the fact this

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Informant said that the [REDACTED] individuals [REDACTED]
had not been seen [REDACTED]

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Informant said that [REDACTED]

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Informant also said that a [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Informant does not know the
purpose of [REDACTED]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee

DATE: 12/6/62

FROM : SA

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Dates of Contact

11/16-18/62

Titles and File #s on which contacted

FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, AR
JOSEPH GURERA, AR
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal - Conspiracy

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE

☐ POSITIVE

On 11/16/62, informant furnished the following information:

☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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On 11/18/62, informant said that another [redacted]

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[redacted] A statement was made by one of the two individuals to the effect, "You should have called us earlier if you had trouble."

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One of these individuals later determined to have the first name of [redacted] had been [redacted] and had talked to PETE and FRANK BALISTRERI.

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On 11/20/62, these two individuals were again [redacted] this time alone, at [redacted]

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[redacted] At some time believed between 6:45 and 7 PM JOE GURERA [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] At this time informant overheard them called [redacted] (phonetic). Informant furnished the following descriptions:

[redacted] -Approximately [redacted] 6' tall, approximately 200 lbs., hair [redacted] short cropped and receding; eyes blue; classic features, non-Italian appearance, dressed in expensive looking sport jacket, sport shirt;

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[redacted] -Approximately [redacted] 6' tall, 210 to 215 lbs, straight blond hair, blue eyes, heavy round face, could be a brother to [redacted]

Informant was impressed by the relaxed businesslike attitude of these two individuals.

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On 11/18/62, informant said that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] had [REDACTED] talked to
them for a while [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Milwaukee (92-262)

DATE: 12-7-62

✓ FROM : Director, FBI (92-6054)

SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION" et al.
MILWAUKEE DIVISION
ANTI-RACKETEERING - CONSPIRACY

The Department of Justice has submitted to the Bureau a list of the names of persons whom they desire to furnish, along with their most recent addresses, to the Internal Revenue Service for their attention.

The Bureau is unable to locate the addresses of the following:

August Chiavefotti

Dr. Vito Guardalabene

Harry D'Angelo

Joseph Spero

Dominick Frinzi

You are requested to furnish the most recent addresses available for each of these persons to the Bureau, under above caption, no later than December 15, 1962.

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TO : SAC, LAS VEGAS (92-625)

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)

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CRIMINAL COMMISSION, ET AL, AR.

RE MILAIRTEL, DEC. EIGHT, LAST, RE BENDETTO DE SALVO.

ALSO OBSERVED IN MILWAUKEE HAS BEEN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, DRIVING AN OLD

PONTIAC BEARING NEVADA LICENSE [REDACTED]

FURNISH INFO AS TO HIS BACKGROUND AND ACTIVITIES AND
CONNECTION, IF ANY, WITH DE SALVO AND HOODLUM ACTIVITIES.

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Approved: _____

Special Agent in Charge

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Date November 8, 1962

[redacted]
[redacted] furnished the following
information relative to observations by [redacted]
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On 11/2/62 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 92-262by SA [redacted] bs Date dictated 11/7/62b6
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Date November 6, 1962

The following observations were made by SA [redacted]
[redacted] on the dates indicated:

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At approximately 4:50 PM, on October 24, 1962, a 1962 [redacted] bearing Missouri license [redacted], was observed to depart and proceed west on West Wells Street.

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This car was driven by an individual approximately [redacted]

[redacted] small build, black curly hair, [redacted]

[redacted] This observation made at Gallagher's parking lot.

This same car was observed on the parking lot at the rear of Gallagher's on October 31, 1962.

At 1:02 PM, at the rear of 1640 Jackson Street, residence of PETER BALISTRIERI, there was observed a 1962 [redacted] Chevrolet [redacted] bearing Missouri license expiring in March, 1962, Number [redacted]. This observation was made on October 25, 1962. (This Missouri license is issued to JOHN BALISTRIERI, [redacted] Missouri.)

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On 10/24, 25/31/62 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 92-262

by SA [redacted] bs Date dictated 10/31/62

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 6, 1962

On November 26, 1962 at 10:20 p.m. occasion was had to observe cars parked at the rear of Gallagher's Restaurant, and it was noted that a black 1962 [redacted] Illinois license [redacted] was there.

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This car was determined to be registered to [redacted] truck trustee, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois.

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by SA [redacted] /lmp Date dictated 11/30/62

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Date November 28, 1962b6
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[redacted]
and now [redacted] volunteered the following information:

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On November 9, 1962, he was at [redacted] and observed an individual named [redacted] last name unknown, [redacted] in company with another individual who gave his name as [redacted] asked [redacted] about a mutual friend or theirs. One [redacted] and this apparently provided [redacted] which they did in an ensuing conversation. He said they [redacted]

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On Sunday, November 11, 1962 [redacted] received a message to [redacted]. He went there, and a man introducing himself as [redacted] whom [redacted] claimed not to know said that he was acquainted with [redacted] background and that [redacted] had some friends in Chicago who had [redacted]

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[redacted] went on to tell [redacted] that on November 10, 1962 [redacted]

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[redacted] added that he had heard from another source that BATTAGLIA was in Milwaukee selling liquor for the Christmas trade. [redacted] said that he did not recall [redacted] and did not know who [redacted] was and that while he knew BATTAGLIA by reputation he did not know him personally.

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On 11/16/62 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 92-262
by SA [redacted] /lmp Date dictated 11/22/62



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Milwaukee, Wisconsin
November 14, 1962

THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION

ANTI-RACKETEERING-CONSPIRACY

The following is a characterization of informants used in
report of SA [redacted] dated and captioned as above:

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MI T-1 is a highly reliable confidential source who is not
available for recontact.

MI T-2 is an Italian-American hoodlum who hangs out with the
other Italian-American hoodlums in Milwaukee.

MI T-3 is an individual who spends a great deal of time at
Gallagher's Restaurant.

MI T-4 is an Italian-American hoodlum in Kansas City who is
acquainted with like individuals there.

MI T-5 is a professional gambler who is acquainted with other
gamblers in Milwaukee.

MI T-6 is an Italian-American hoodlum in Kenosha acquainted
with hoodlums there and in Milwaukee.

MI T-7 is a newspaper reporter.

MI T-8 is an employee of a New York City Collection Agency.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 12/14/62	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 10/2 - 12/4/62
TITLE OF CASE THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY lmp b6 b7c
		CHARACTER OF CASE AR - CONSPIRACY	

REFERENCES

Report of SA at Milwaukee 10/29/62.
New York airtel to Bureau 11/13/62.

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ENCLOSURES

To Bureau and Offices receiving copies: Letterhead memoranda characterizing informants used.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The Milwaukee Office has no highly confidential sources at the moment but is gathering information from approximately 12 symbol informants and PCI's on a regular basis in connection with the Criminal Intelligence Program.

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LEADS

MILWAUKEE DIVISION

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

Will continue to obtain locally and report information re the activities of the Criminal Commission in this Division and their contacts with members of the Criminal Commission in other parts of the country.

Note that leads for other offices in this investigation are set out by separate communication.

INFORMANTS

MI T-1 is MI 616-C*;

MI T-2 is [] who furnished information on the dates indicated to SA []

MI T-3 is PCI [] who furnished information on the dates indicated to SA []

MI T-4 is []

MI T-5 is PCI [] who furnished information on the dates indicated to SA []

MI T-6 is [] who furnished information to SA []

MI T-7 is PCI [] who furnished information on the dates indicated to SA []

MI T-8 is [], New York City

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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

Copy to:

Report of:
Date:SA [REDACTED]
December 14, 1962Office: **MILWAUKEE**b6
b7CField Office File No.: **MI 92-262**Bureau File No.: **92-6054**Title: **THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION**Character: **ANTI-RACKETEERING - CONSPIRACY**

Synopsis:

Info re contact with JOE VITALE, St. Louis hoodlum by JOE GURERA and FRANK BALISTRIERI. GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO "got lost" around November 10 when Milwaukee PD started surveillance activities. BALISTRIERI also was out of town. [REDACTED] Chicago, attempted to contact GURERA November 15. GURERA in Kansas City in company of "Highway" SIMONE November 20. [REDACTED] reported as attorney for BALISTRIERI in connection with tax suit. Anonymous report received re additional shakedown activity by BALISTRIERI and associates. GURERA and DE SALVO purchased transistor radio receiver on fixed frequency of Milwaukee PD and SO. Out of state cars reported including JOHN BALISTRIERI of Kansas City and [REDACTED] of Kansas City. Dynamite bomb placed at rear of Sciortino's Bakery 10/25/62 motive unknown. GURERA and DE SALVO demanded pay off from Kenosha gambler. TONY ACCARDO reportedly sending representative to Milwaukee re Christmas liquor.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Results set out showing out of state cars. Other out of state contacts were SAM BATTAGLIA, Chicago, and [REDACTED] and BEN DE SALVO of Las Vegas.

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DETAILS:

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Leonard Produce Company, 27 Produce Row, St. Louis, Missouri.

The St. Louis Office on November 1, 1962, said that this company is [REDACTED] with JOHN JOSEPH VITALE, a top St. Louis hoodlum currently being employed as a salesman, according to the records. Investigation indicates that VITALE is probably the owner or at least the person who gives directions at the above company. [REDACTED] who has no criminal background, is felt to be a front man for VITALE and associates.

Located in the same space at this address is the Midwest Leasing Company allegedly [REDACTED] a close associate of VITALE.

VITALE utilizes office space at the Produce Company, normally going to work at about midnight and remaining there until early hours of the morning. Numerous associates of VITALE in the hoodlum element meet with him and discuss various affairs on these premises.

The files of the Milwaukee Office reflect the following information relative to JOHN JOSEPH VITALE: FBI # 753 259; date of birth May 17, 1909, at St. Louis, Missouri, 5'10", 192 pounds. In the early 1950's he was allegedly one of the enforcers for the Teamsters and Steam Fitters unions in St. Louis. Others associating with him in this activity were [REDACTED] ANTHONY GIORDANO and RALPH CALECA, also known as SHERRY.

In 1954 [REDACTED] and WILLIAM EUGENE BUFFALINO, Teamster officials from Detroit, were arrested by St. Louis Police in connection with a murder investigation. These two individuals were allegedly organizing the juke box industry in St. Louis with the assistance of VITALE.

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In connection with the investigation of the Greenlease kidnapping case, VITALE was determined to be a close associate of JOSEPH COSTELLO, owner of the Ace Cab Company. VITALE was believed to have handled the missing ransom money. He was described at this time as a leader of a group of hijackers who had been sentenced for narcotics, also as the leader of a group of counterfeiters. He allegedly had good connections in Detroit and Kansas City. He was listed as having contact with JAMES DE GEORGE of Chicago and Hancock, Wisconsin, and also as a friend of CARLO MARCELLO, top hoodlum figure in New Orleans. At this time VITALE was the president of the Anthony Novelty Company.

In 1952, [redacted] FBI # [redacted] of Detroit, was arrested with a large quantity of stolen Philip Morris Cigarettes. VITALE and [redacted] were considered suspects in this case. [redacted] is known to have hoodlum contacts and to have operated in the Milwaukee area.

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On July 30, 1952, [redacted] both of Milwaukee, were arrested with [redacted] and [redacted] in possession of a truckload of stolen meat from Chicago.

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In 1949, in connection with investigation of the theft of a large quantity of Parker Pens from the Parker Pen Company, Janesville, Wisconsin, it was determined that VITALE was selling such pens and upon interview admitted buying 23 dozen Parker Pens and reselling them but refused to say where he had obtained the pens. Officials of the Parker Pen Company were unable to specifically identify these pens as having been stolen but stated that circumstances indicated that they were unquestionably obtained illegally.

MI T-1 reported that FRANK PETER BALISTRERI had the name of VITALE listed in an address book with St. Louis phone numbers EN 2-7596 and EN 2-4862.

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On November 17, 1962 MI T-2 advised that JOE GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO left Milwaukee over the weekend of November 10 - informant is not sure they went together. Informant heard later that GURERA said that they had "got lost" and informant said that this meant to him that there was some law enforcement heat that they were trying to avoid. Informant said that FRANK BALISTRERI left town on November 12, method and destination unknown.

Informant thought that these individuals might have left because of the fact that Captain HARRY KUSZEWSKI of the Milwaukee Police Department Vice Detail called a number of individuals in for interview at about this time and also because the Milwaukee Police Department seemed to be stepping up surveillance activities.

On November 16, 1962 MI T-3 said that [redacted]

[redacted] Informant said that [redacted]

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[redacted] is known to be a bondsman in Chicago and a close associate of Milwaukee PHIL ALDERISIO.

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MI T-4 advised that on November 20, 1962 JOE GURERA met in Kansas City with THOMAS "HIGHWAY" SIMONE for about an hour from 10:30 p.m. Informant did not know the nature of this meeting.

It is to be noted that MI T-3 reported GURERA present in Milwaukee on this same date at about 7:30 p.m.

On November 30, 1962 [redacted]

[redacted] North Central Airlines, 710 Plankinton Avenue advised that North Central has two flights to Chicago during pertinent period which could connect flights from Chicago to Kansas City to fit the fact of GURERA's presence in Milwaukee around 7:30 p.m. and GURERA's presence in

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Kansas City on the same date. These are North Central flight 238 leaving Milwaukee at 8:15 p.m. to O'Hare which connects with Braniff flight 531 Chicago to Kansas City at 11:10 p.m. and North Central flight 468 leaving Milwaukee at 6:30 p.m. which connects with TWA flight 123 Chicago to Kansas City leaving Chicago at 8:35 p.m.

An examination of the reservations and the names of individuals at the airport failed to disclose any names which indicated that they could have been used by GURERA.

It is noted that it was previously reported that GURERA met with "HIGHWAY" SIMONE in Kansas City on September 9, 1962, and in an effort to determine his method of travel, contact was had with the following individuals on the dates indicated with negative results:

[redacted] Continental Airways,
contacted November 2, 1962

[redacted] Braniff Airways,
contacted November 28, 1962

[redacted] TWA, contacted October 25,
1962.

On November 22, 1962 [redacted]

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Date November 8, 1952

[redacted] said he resides at [redacted] Milwaukee, telephone [redacted] and is employed as [redacted] located at [redacted] He said he is married and has [redacted] children, [redacted]

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[redacted] said that he was born and raised in Kansas City on the north side and lived there for the first [redacted] years of his life. In [redacted] he left Kansas City and went to [redacted] where he lived and worked for about four months and then to [redacted] for approximately eight months. In August, [redacted] he left his position in [redacted] and returned to Kansas City where he obtained employment for the [redacted] which has the [redacted] at the above discount house. He arrived in Milwaukee in [redacted] and at that time contacted BUSTER BALESTRERE, who he claimed was the only individual he knew in Milwaukee. He explained that [redacted] who had [redacted] and that [redacted] went crazy and died when [redacted] was quite young.

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[redacted] said that BUSTER did not know that he was coming to Milwaukee but helped him get located, and their families have associated mostly on Sundays since his arrival. He said that shortly after his arrival here he and BUSTER were at the Holiday House and ran into JOE GURERA whom he had known casually from Kansas City but was surprised to see because he did not have information that GURERA was in Milwaukee. He said that GURERA and BUSTER were the only two individuals he knew in Milwaukee, and for this reason he and his family have associated with their families jointly and individually since his arrival.

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He said that he has been both to GURERA's and BUSTER's home and that they have been to his home.

He disclaimed any knowledge as to their activities or their employment or lack of employment. He said that he did not want to get mixed up in their activities as he had all he could do to handle his job and take care of his family. He explained that he works daily except Sunday from nine AM to

On 11/1/52 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 92-257
by SA [redacted] lmp Date dictated 11/2/52

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ten PM, except recently he has been taking Wednesday and Thursday evenings off. [] does not desire to stay in Milwaukee over a year and is hopeful of being transferred back to Kansas City at that time.

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He said that he has never met PETER BALISTRERI, who is a next-door neighbor to BUSTER. He explained that JOE GURERA and BUSTER BALESTERRA are brothers-in-law and seem to get along together in good shape.

[] explained that he grew up in the north end of Kansas City and is familiar with the reputation of GURERA, who was associated with the CIVILLA brothers and TOM SIMONE, who have the reputation in Kansas City for being hoodlums.

[] said that he knew all of these individuals and many others, having grown up with them, but he does not approve of their activities and does not associate with those people but on the other hand feels that as long as they treat him right he is not inclined to take any action in the way of questioning or correcting their activities.

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The Milwaukee Journal, a Milwaukee daily newspaper, on November 26, 1952 reported on legal steps in connection with the case of FRANK P. BALISTRIERI whose records were seized under a search warrant by the Internal Revenue Service. The article stated that one of the attorneys of BALISTRIERI was [redacted] [redacted] of Chicago who is known to have previously represented TONY ACCARDO of Chicago in connection with criminal tax proceedings in that city.

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On October 22, 1962, a typewritten anonymous note, undated, was received, reading as follows:

"Gentlemen:

"I want you to know that Frank Balistreri of Gallagher's and his friend [redacted] and two other men from Kansas City have been demanding 30% protection money from people in business. I hear they already asked [redacted] of Amato and Guardabene funeral parlor"

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Date November 7, 1962

[redacted] with [redacted]
in the [redacted]
furnished the following information:

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He resides at [redacted] and [redacted] making him [redacted] by marriage to [redacted] and a [redacted] by marriage to [redacted]. He said that he is not closely associating with either of these individuals, going to their place of business only occasionally--once or twice a year. He said the bad reputation that FRANK BALISTRUCCI is getting makes it undesirable for him to go to Gallagher's. He said that the last time he was at Gallagher's was at a stag party for Dr. VITO GUARDALABENE, who is [redacted] said that so far as he was aware this was a legitimate testimonial for Dr. GUARDALABENE, who had been incapacitated for some time previous with a stroke.

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[redacted] examined the anonymous note which alleged that FRANK BALISTRUCCI and his friend, [redacted] and two other men from Kansas City have been demanding protection money and had asked him.

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After pursuing the note [redacted] asked "who's [redacted]" and in response to questioning he said that he did not know who the note referred to as the men from Kansas City. He said that no one had approached him relative to pay offs or had there been any hint of such a demand. He said that he would advise if any such demand was made or hinted at.

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[redacted] then volunteered information that he does not approve of such activities as the whole Italian community suffers as a result of the activities of a few individuals. He said he feels so strongly about this that he sincerely hopes that his [redacted]

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[redacted] disclaimed any first-hand information as to the activities of Subject and his associates but said that he

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On 11/1/62 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 94-316
by SA [redacted] /bs Date dictated 11/2/62

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was familiar with many rumors that had been circulated both in the Italian community and as a result of newspaper publicity.

[redacted] said that he spends almost all his leisure time at home and except for situations which he is unable to avoid mingles very little with Italians.

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Date October 8, 1952

The following observations were made by SA [redacted] on October 2, 1952:

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At 1:30 p.m. JOE GURERA's car was observed in front of 1012 South 1st Street, and GURERA and BUSTER BALESTRENE were having a conversation in front of the address. At 1:40 p.m. STEVE DE SALVO arrived, parking his car on Mineral Street between 1st and 2nd. The three of them then went inside the address with GURERA and DE SALVO emerging at 1:45 p.m. and spent a few minutes talking in GURERA's automobile, both departing at 2:02 p.m.

Upon leaving this address they drove to the Radio Communications Company, 1020 East Land Street, where they arrived at 2:14 p.m. At 2:26 p.m. they left this place and proceeded to Star Brite Cleaners, 2501 North Humboldt Street, arriving at 2:31 p.m. They remained inside for a short time and at 2:36 p.m. emerged and talked on the sidewalk for a couple of minutes with [redacted] who [redacted]. They left this address at 2:38 p.m. and the surveillance was discontinued at this point.

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At 3:25 p.m. they were again observed in front of 1012 South 1st Street sitting in GURERA's car and talking at 3:35 p.m. a third man was observed in the rear of the car. This individual subsequently left in a 1955 Chrysler bearing license [redacted] at 3:50 p.m. This car is registered to [redacted]

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These three individuals discontinued their conversation at 3:44 and entered Acino Cleaners with DE SALVO and GURERA first removing something from the trunk of GURERA's car which they took into the cleaners. It was not possible to observe the nature of this object.

At 3:50 p.m. in addition to MARZOLO, STEVE DE SALVO left and GURERA departed at 4:10 p.m.

BUSTER BALESTRENE remained at Acino's except for a few moments to go to the restaurant across the street until 5:02 p.m. when he departed.

On 10/2/52 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 92-257
by SA [redacted] /lmp Date dictated 10/5/62

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Date October 8, 1962

[redacted]
[redacted] Milwaukee, furnished the following information:

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On October 2, 1962 individuals known to [redacted] as JOE GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO came to the above address and picked up a previously ordered personal receiver equipped with wire antenna which extends pants leg. This receiver is on a fixed frequency of 159.15 megacycles, which is the frequency used by the Milwaukee Police Department and Sheriff's Department. JOE GURERA paid the approximately \$200 balance due on this \$400 receiver.

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[redacted] explained that sometime ago DE SALVO had come to him in company with GURERA and stated that a mobile police receiver that they had bought about a year ago was not working well. [redacted] told them to bring it in and he would put it in working order, but they said they preferred to get a new unit, and in looking through his catalogue, settled on this small but expensive personal receiver. They explained at the time that they wanted it for an "ambulance-chasing friend of theirs." At that time DE SALVO paid \$200 deposit on the purchase price.

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[redacted] said that he did not have a record or recollection of the circumstances or individuals involved in the original purchase of the mobile receiver to which DE SALVO alluded.

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On October 2, 1962 these individuals also inquired as to the availability and price of telephone scrambling devices stating that they wanted three such units of the type that could be operated both as scramblers and unscramblers. [redacted] said that he would have to make price inquiry as to these and that they were in the neighborhood of \$300 a set. GURERA and DE SALVO asked him to make the inquiry, and they would be in touch with him.

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[redacted] said that he would do so, and if these individuals expressed further interest or ordered such units, he would advise.

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On 10/3/62 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 166-13
by SAs RICHARD C. THOMPSON & [redacted] / 10/5/62
Dictated [redacted]

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MI 92-262

On December 4, 1962



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Date November 6, 1962

The following observations were made by SA []
[] on the dates indicated:

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At approximately 4:50 PM, on October 24, 1962, a 1962 [] bearing Missouri license [] was observed to depart and proceed west on West [] Street. This car was driven by an individual approximately [] to [] years, small build, black curly hair, wearing []

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[] This observation made at Gallagher's parking lot.

This same car was observed on the parking lot at the rear of Gallagher's on October 31, 1962.

At 1:02 PM, at the rear of 1640 Jackson Street, residence of PETER BALISTRERI, there was observed a 1962 [] Chevrolet bearing Missouri license expiring in March, 1962, number [] This observation was made on October 25, 1962. (This Missouri license is issued to [] Missouri.) []

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10/24,25/31/62 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 92-262

by SA [] for [] Date dictated 10/31/62

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On November 6, 1962, the Kansas City Office furnished the following information:

On October 30, 1962, Missouri Motor Vehicle Department records were checked for 1962 Missouri licenses [redacted] and [redacted]

The following information was obtained:

[redacted] was issued new on March 9, 1962 to [redacted] Missouri, for a 1962 Chevrolet Coupe, VIN [redacted] Missouri title number [redacted] issued March 20, 1962 to [redacted] indicated this Chevrolet Impala [redacted] was purchased March 9, 1962 from Melvin Hilliard Chevrolet Co., 3912 Prospect Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri. There was no lien listed.

[redacted] was renewed September 25, 1961 and issued to [redacted] Missouri, for a 1960 Ford [redacted] VIN [redacted] There is no 1963 renewal information available in the Motor Vehicle Department files at this time.

Missouri title number [redacted] was issued August 19, 1960 to [redacted] for this [redacted] and a chattel mortgage of \$2,173.68 was issued in favor of First National Bank of Independence. This vehicle was purchased July 26, 1960 from Ray Smith Ford, Inc., Raytown, Missouri.

On October 30, 1962, [redacted] Auto Theft and Information Bureau, Missouri State Highway Patrol, stated that she has no stolen report on the foregoing licenses.

Kansas City indices negative re [redacted]

[redacted] Missouri.

Police Department, informed that the address [redacted] is occupied by one [redacted]

and one [redacted] who is employed by [redacted] Further, that on December 15, 1961, [redacted] of the same address was questioned with regard to a traffic incident, at which time it was reflected in the records that he was born on [redacted] in Kansas City, Kansas,

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white, male, 5'9½", 150 pounds, brown hair and eyes. Kansas City indices fail to reflect any significant relationship between BALESTRENE and hoodlums; however, due to the similarity in names between this individual and known members of the criminal organization, investigation will continue to determine his relationship with these persons. It is pointed out that [redacted] should not be confused with [redacted]

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[redacted] Kansas City, Missouri.

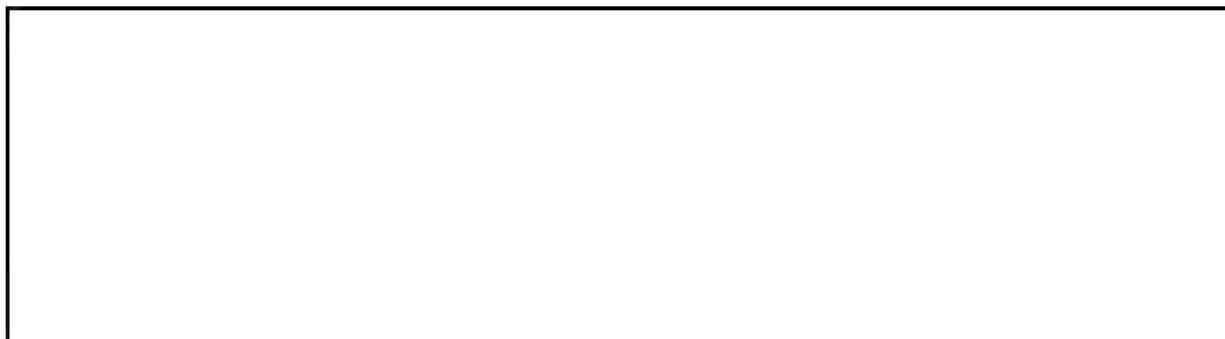
The following information was obtained from [redacted]

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[redacted] on October 26, 1962:

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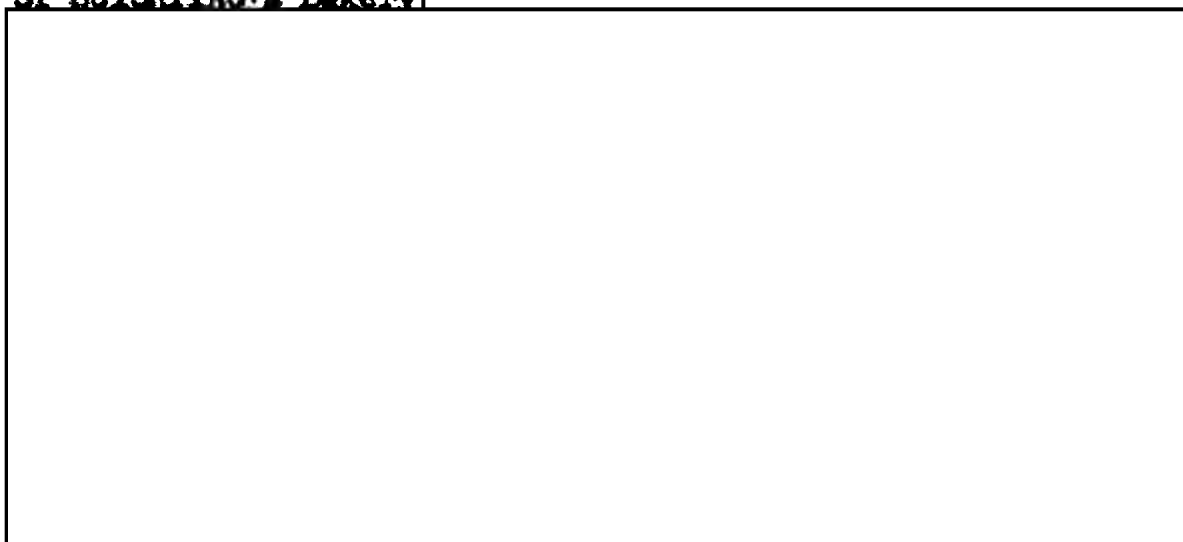
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MI T-3 on November 9, 1962 furnished the following information:

Recently, informant read in the newspaper about the bombing of SCIORTINO's Bakery [redacted]



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MI T-5 advised on November 5, 1962 that [redacted] of [redacted] was no longer operating a crap game on weekends because about two months ago JOE GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO came to him and told him they wanted 50% of his business plus \$150 a week to pay for a man of theirs to watch over their interest and \$100 off of the top. [redacted] told them he couldn't operate under these circumstances and informant said as a net result this put [redacted] out of business and made it all the better for JOHN RIZZO to run his game, which informant said is actually for FRANK BALISTRIERI.

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It is noted, however, that on November 9, 1962 MI T-2 said that [redacted] is now operating [redacted]
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MI T-6 advised on November 16, 1962 that the City of Kenosha is "completely under the control of the FRANK BALISTRIERI group in Milwaukee" and that two BALISTRIERI men had recently been to Kenosha to put heat on competitors of JOHN RIZZO. Informant said that RIZZO and [redacted] are still very active with their craps and poker games at 2207-56th Street on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights and that they are doing very well financially.

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On October 26, 1962, [redacted]
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Date November 30, 1962

On November 20, 1962, at 5:30 P.M., the following described cars were observed at the rear of Gallagher's Restaurant, 829 North 3rd Street, Milwaukee - Gallagher's being operated by FRANK PETER BALISTRERI, top hoodlum in Milwaukee Division:

1956 [redacted] Chevrolet [redacted]
Illinois tag [redacted]

1962 gray Pontiac, Indiana license LM 7254;

1961 [redacted] Illinois license
[redacted]

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On 11/20/62 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 92-262
by SA [redacted]/lmp Date dictated 11/26/62

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On December 3, 1962 the Chicago Office advised that Illinois license [redacted] was registered to [redacted] Chicago and that the Chicago Office had no previous information re this individual.

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On November 29, 1962, the Indianapolis Office advised that Indiana license LN 7254 is registered to the S and W Leasing Co., 411 Pine, Michigan City, Indiana and that additional inquiry would be conducted to determine the identity of the driver.

On November 27, 1962 MI T-2 stated that JOE GURERA had been out of town for several days and no one seemed to know where he had gone. Informant also said that FRANK BALISTIERI and STEVE DE SALVO had been making themselves scarce and seemed to be in and out of town for some unknown reason.

MI T-3 advised on November 28, 1962 that GURERA was back in town [redacted]

[redacted] he did not amplify on this statement.

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Informant said there were [redacted]

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Another individual of interest in connection with the above information is **BENEDETTO DE SALVO**, Milwaukee PD number 33213, date of birth August 24, 1916. DE SALVO is driving a yellow and black Mercury 1955 having Wisconsin plates U54-611 registered to him at 4926 North 38th Street, [REDACTED]

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On November 30, 1962 MI T-2 said that **BENNY DE SALVO** was ordered out of town by the Milwaukee Italian hoodlum outfit ten or eleven years ago due to the fact that he had tried to move in on the outfit. Informant said that **BENNY** after leaving Milwaukee went to New York City and opened a restaurant there for a couple of years and then moved to Las Vegas to supposedly have a restaurant. He showed up in Milwaukee about a month ago and since then he, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] have been making the rounds of the Italian restaurants and bars in Milwaukee. Informant said that **DE SALVO** has the reputation of being a hit man and seems to be in defiance of the Italian organization headed by **BALISTRERI**, **JOE DUREHA**, and **STEVE DE SALVO**. Informant pointed out that [REDACTED] had been closely associated

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with the [redacted] and the [redacted] in trying to get control in Milwaukee and that it is very possible DE SALVO is here to help them. Informant said that [redacted]

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Informant also stated that there was something in the wind so far as the leaders of the outfit are concerned and pointed out that BUSTER BALESTIERE and [redacted] have not been at [redacted] for some time, at least a week, and that [redacted] is no longer working there. He further observed that [redacted] and STEVE DE SALVO are not hanging out in night spots and other places as they used to be.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 6, 1962

On November 26, 1962 at 10:20 p.m. occasion was had to observe cars parked at the rear of Gallagher's Restaurant, and it was noted that a [] 1963 Ford [], Illinois license [] was there.

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This car was determined to be registered to []

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Chicago, Illinois.

On 11/26/62 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 92-212
by SA [] lmp Date dictated 11/20/62

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MI T-7 on November 20, 1962 furnished the following information:

[redacted]
[redacted] in Milwaukee, told him that on November 12, 1962
a man stopped him as he was [redacted]
[redacted] This man identified
himself as [redacted]
[redacted]

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On November 9, 1962 MI T-8 said that the collection agency of Nathan, Nathan, and Nathan, 210-5th Avenue, New York City, was engaged by the Thunderbird Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada to collect on a \$3,000 blank note given by PETER BALISTRERI to the Thunderbird Hotel October 19, 1959. This was a note in the nature of an IOU, was okayed by one JOHNNY GERACI who at that time was employed by the Thunderbird Hotel but is presently employed by the Golden Gate Casino, Las Vegas.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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**Milwaukee, Wisconsin
December 14, 1962**

Title	THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION
Character	ANTI-RACKETEERING - Conspiracy
Reference	Report of SA [REDACTED] dated and captioned as above.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 12/14/62	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 10/2 - 12/4/62
TITLE OF CASE THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED lmp
		CHARACTER OF CASE AR - CONSPIRACY	

REFERENCES

Report of SA at Milwaukee 10/29/62.
New York airtel to Bureau 11/13/62.

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ENCLOSURES

To Bureau and Offices receiving copies: Letterhead memoranda characterizing informants used.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The Milwaukee Office has no highly confidential sources at the moment but is gathering information from approximately 12 symbol informants and PCI's on a regular basis in connection with the Criminal Intelligence Program.

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REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE DEC 18 1962	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/13/62 - 12/14/62
TITLE OF CASE EARL LOUIS APPELT, aka; MILO LALICH		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY eak
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REFERENCE

Report of SA 10/25/62, Milwaukee.
Chicago letter to Milwaukee 11/28/62 (IO).

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At Milwaukee, Wis.

Will interview Subjects in an attempt to learn the nature of booking activities conducted by them. Will, however, hold such interviews in abeyance until the results of interview with Subject LALICH under MI file 92-262 entitled "THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, et al" are known.

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MI 165-73

Investigative period predates last report in that such investigation was not received for reporting until subsequent to rerep.

It has been learned that Subject LALICH has offered to surrender himself to the USM, and this matter is being handled under MI 92-262. Certain necessary preliminary investigation is being conducted before Subject LALICH is interviewed in that regard, and it appears desirous to hold off interviewing LALICH on instant matter until the above can be resolved. Agents handling the matter under MI 92-262 have been apprised of instant matter for inclusion, if appropriate, in their investigation.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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SA [REDACTED]

Office:

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Date:

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Title:

EARL LOUIS APPELT; MILO LALICH

Character:

INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF WAGERING INFORMATION

Synopsis:

Surveillance on 10/30/62 determined Subject LALICH used premises at 543 N. 4th St., Milwaukee, but at 9:30 AM to 9:42 AM. Subscriber to telephone number KI 3-3523, Addison, Ill., determined to be MARVIN E. AFFELD. AFFELD's credit record contains no adverse information, and files of Addison, Ill. PD reflect no information on him. AFFELD advised Subject LALICH was social acquaintance and business associate, and he could not confirm or deny that Subjects operate a book. AFFELD advised he had never placed a bet with a bookmaker.

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DETAILS: AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

Date 11/6/62

At 9:20 a.m. surveillance of 3004 West Wells commenced. An Oldsmobile with 1963 Wisconsin license C 96583 was observed parked in the basement garage at this address.

At 9:31 a.m. the above car, driven by MILO LALICH, left above address, drove east on West Wells to 4th Street, and was lost in traffic.

At 9:38 a.m. the above car was observed parked at the rear of the Green Bay Restaurant, 543 North 4th.

At 9:42 a.m. MILO LALICH was observed leaving the rear entrance of the Green Bay Restaurant. He got into the above car, drove east in the alley to 4th, north on 4th to Michigan, west on Michigan to 5th, north on 5th to Wells, turned west on Wells. Surveillance discontinued.

At 10:29 a.m. surveillance was commenced at Green Bay Restaurant, 543 North 4th Street, at the rear entrance.

At 11:40 a.m. surveillance at the Green Bay Restaurant was discontinued--MILO LALICH not seen.

On 10/30/62 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MT 165-73
by SA esl Date dictated 10/31/62

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MI 165-73

AT ADDISON, ILLINOIS

A review of the current city telephone directory for Addison, Illinois on August 13, 1962 disclosed that MARVIN E. AFFELD, 12 Marilyn Terrace, Addison, has telephone number KI 3-3523.

Date August 14, 1962b6
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[redacted] Du Page County Credit Bureau, Wheaton, Illinois, advised that the files of her office revealed a notation, dated August 13, 1962, that HARVIN E. APPELD, 12 Marilyn Terrace, Addison, Illinois, has resided at that address for the past 3 1/2 years. She said the file contained no adverse information pertaining to HARVIN E. APPELD.

On 8-13-62 at Wheaton, Illinois File # 165-360
by SA [redacted] Date dictated 8-14-62
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September 7, 1962

Date _____

[redacted] Phoenix Finance Company, Green Meadow Shopping Center, Addison, Illinois, furnished the following information:

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He is "vaguely acquainted" with one MARVIN E. AFFELD who resides at 12 Marilyn Terrace, Addison, Illinois. [redacted] operates a [redacted] in the shopping center called [redacted]; however, he believed her to be the manager and secretary but not the sole owner. MARVIN AFFELD reportedly has an interest in the Affeld Oil Company with offices at 205 W. Wacker Drive, Chicago; however, he was not aware of any other interests or activities of AFFELD.

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On 9-4-62 at Addison, Illinois File # 165-360
by RA [redacted] -rhm Date dictated 9-7-62

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September 26, 1962

Date _____

Mr. MARVIN E. AFFELD, Affeld Oil Company, 205 W. Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois, phone CH-6-0750, was telephonically contacted to arrange an interview. He said he is "out of town frequently" and suggested he be re-contacted telephonically at a future date.

On 9-24-62 at Chicago, Illinois File # 165-360
by JA [redacted] -rhm Date dictated 9-26-62

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

October 10, 1962

Date _____

The Arfield Oil Company, 205 W. Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois, was telephonically contacted on October 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 1962 in effort to arrange an interview with HARVEY E. ARFIELD with negative results. On each occasion a lady answering stated that "Mr. Arfield was out of town" and she did not know when he was due back.

On 10/2,3,4,5/62 Chicago, Illinois File # 165-360

by SA [redacted] Date dictated 10-10-62

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Date November 13, 1962

[redacted] Du Page County Credit Bureau, Wheaton, Illinois, advised that the files of her office revealed a notation, dated September 13, 1962, that MARVIN E. APPOLD, 12 Marilyn Terrace, Addison, Illinois, had been issued Diners Club Card #3124-298 from 10 Columbus Circle, New York City, NY. She said the file indicated that APPOLD had a delinquent account with the Diners Club in the amount of \$405.00 as of 4-24-62.

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On 11-12-62 at Wheaton, Illinois File # 165-360
by [redacted] Date dictated 11-13-62

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Date 11/28/62

Mr. MARVIN E. AFFELD, 12 Marilyn Terrace, Addison, Illinois, was advised of his rights in that he did not have to make a statement and that any statement he made could be used against him in a court of law. He was apprised of his right to consult with an attorney.

AFFELD furnished the following information:

For the past 16 years he has been the owner and operator of the Affeld Oil Company, 205 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois, phone Central 6-1139 and Central 660750. His company is concerned primarily with "drilling for crude oil" in the "Tri-State area" which includes Indiana, Kentucky and Illinois. For several years until 1960, he also had a "side line" as a "race horse owner" during which time he owned about 25 race horses which he ran at Arlington Park, Illinois, and other tracks about the country. He was the owner of a horse called, "Spur On" the only son of "Whirlway" which netted him about \$180,000.00 during the latter "fifties". He formerly resided at 2041 West Atkinson Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, at which time he was employed as the International Representative of the Lions Club, Chicago, Illinois, which required extensive travel in the United States and Europe.

He has been a social acquaintance of one MILO LALICH, 3004 West Wells Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for about 20 years and for the past year a "business" associate. He and LALICH have a mutual interest in an "oil well" under the "John W. Scott Lease", Cumberland County, Kentucky. He and LALICH contact each other telephonically and personally, primarily due to the above oil well. LALICH resides in an apartment at 3004 West Wells Street, Milwaukee, and he (LALICH) has an interest in the Green Bay Bar, Fourth Street, Milwaukee. He was introduced to EARL APPELT, who also resides in the apartment at 3004 West Wells Street, Milwaukee, by LALICH a "year or so ago" and that he (APPELT) apparently has mutual interest in the Green Bay Bar. He could furnish no information regarding activities of LALICH or APPELT and could not verify or deny that either might be operating a "book".

On 11/21/62 at Addison, Illinois File # CG 165-360

by SA plb Date dictated 11/23/62

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CG 165-360

Having been closely associated with horse racing on a legitimate level for many years he, of course, is aware of how "bookmakers operate". He is well aware of the state and federal laws covering "bookmaking" and of the penalties for infractions of these laws. He would not jeopardize his personal reputation now or his former reputation as a prominent horse race owner by placing a bet with a "bookmaker". He added that he has never placed a bet with a "bookmaker" directly or indirectly and any bet he might make would be at "the track".

DIRECTOR, FBI (92-6054)

12/15/62

SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262) (P)

THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, et al
MILWAUKEE DIVISION
ANTI-RACKETEERING - CONSPIRACY

Re Bulet 12/7/62 requesting most recent addresses
on list of persons submitted.

They are as follows:

AUGUST CHIAVEROTTI
3018 West Ruskin
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

HARRY D'ANGELO
West Bend, Wisconsin


Florida

DOMINIC FRINZI
7304 West Wisconsin Ave.
Bus.: 161 W. Wisconsin Ave.
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Dr. VITO GUARDALABENE
17980 Evergreen Court
Bus: 238 W. Wisconsin Ave.
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

"POP" MANIACI
Deceased


Milwaukee, Wisconsin

2 - Bureau (92-6054)
① - Milwaukee (92-262)
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11/29/62

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-4690)
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)
JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AKA. AR. OO: MILWAUKEE.

INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS FROM
INFORMANTS THAT SUBJECT IS IN AND OUT OF MILWAUKEE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] GURERA HAS

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[REDACTED] HIS LAST TRIP OF FOUR OR
FIVE DAYS DURATION TERMINATED WITH HIS RETURN TO MILWAUKEE, NOV.
TWENTYEIGHT LAST.

HE WAS ALSO GONE FOR THE BEST PART OF THE WEEK OF NOV.
TWELVE.

A KANSAS CITY INFORMANT REPORTED HE WAS IN KANSAS CITY

[REDACTED] ON THE EVENING OF

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1 Kansas City (92-326)(AM)
1 Chicago (Regular Mail)
1 Milwaukee file 92-262
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NOV. TWENTY LAST AROUND TEN THIRTY PM. A MILWAUKEE INFORMANT HAD PREVIOUSLY REPORTED HIS PRESENCE AT GALLAGHER-S IN MILWAUKEE, A HANGOUT FOR MILWAUKEE HOODLUMS, AND HIS DEPARTURE FROM THIS RESTAURANT IN COMPANY OF TWO UNKNOWN MEN CALLED [REDACTED] AT SEVEN THIRTY PM, NOV. TWENTY LAST.

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EFFORTS ARE CONTINUING TO DETERMINE THE NAME AND ROUTE USED BY GURERA FOR HIS TRAVEL AND TO ESTABLISH THE TRAVEL AND PURPOSE THEREFOR BY COMPETENT WITNESSES IF POSSIBLE.

AM COPIES FOR KANSAS CITY AND CHICAGO.

The Kansas City Division:

At Kansas City, Missouri:

Advise if possible of any ideas as to the identity of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and furnish their photographs. They are described as follows:

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[REDACTED] Approximately [REDACTED] years, 6' tall, 200 lbs., [REDACTED] hair, receding, blue eyes, classic features, non-Italian appearance, wears expensive looking sport clothes, seen in Milwaukee 3 different occasions during the week preceding November 20. Not seen since.

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[redacted] (phonetic)--Approximately 30, 6' tall, 210 to 215 lbs.,
hair [redacted] face round, heavy; eyes blue; possibly
[redacted] Same general appearance, except heavier.

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Informant said that [redacted] is the leader of the two and met FRANK BALISTRERI and JOE GURERA and seemed to receive a run-down of some situation from them. A day or two later [redacted] again were in conference with these individuals and listened in a matter-of-fact way to their explanation of a situation. On 11/20/62, they did not associate with the group, but as GURERA left the restaurant between 6:45 and 7:30 PM, they departed with him and have not been seen in Milwaukee since.

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THE CHICAGO DIVISION: At Braniff Airways:

Contact [redacted] and examine the manifest for Braniff Flight 531, leaving Chicago ten PM on 11/20/62 for any information indicating that GURERA and/or the above two individuals were on this flight.

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Note [redacted] states that TWA has Flight #123, which leaves O'HARE at 8:35. The manifest for this flight should likewise be checked for November 20.

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From previous inquiries it appears that GURERA uses an alias, and an informant has stated that these individuals normally use their own first name and some Italian-sounding last name and that BONO is a commonly used alias by the Milwaukee group.

Determine if there are any other flights which would permit GURERA to be in Kansas City by approximately 10:30 PM, having been in Milwaukee no later than 7:30 PM on the same date; namely, 11/20/62.

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THE MILWAUKEE DIVISION: AT North Central Airlines:

Will check the manifest for North Central Flight 468, leaving Milwaukee at 6:30 PM for Chicago, and Flight #238, leaving Milwaukee at 8:15 PM for Chicago to determine if GURERA used either of these flights on November 20.

All offices, if information as to the alias used by GURERA is found, attempt to locate his airline travel covering the trip he is known to have made to Kansas City where he was observed by informant on 9/9/62, again in conference with SIMONE. It is noted that he was in Milwaukee by noon on 9/10/62. On this occasion of being in Kansas City, GURERA stated that he had just flown in from the East and was going to turn around and fly back East.

Date November 30, 1962

On November 20, 1962, at 5:30 P.M., the following described cars were observed at the rear of Gallagher's Restaurant, 829 North 3rd Street, Milwaukee - Gallagher's being operated by FRANK PETER BALISTRERI, top hoodlum in Milwaukee Division:

1956 [redacted] Chevrolet [redacted]
Illinois tag [redacted]

1962 gray Pontiac, Indiana license LN 7254;

1961 [redacted] Illinois license
[redacted]

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On 11/20/62 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 92-262

by SA [redacted] ⁹²imp Date dictated 11/26/62

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SAC, Las Vegas (92-625)

12/8/62

SAC, Milwaukee (92-262) P

THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION
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AR
RE: BENADETTO DE SALVO

On 11/30/62, the following information was obtained from

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2 Milwaukee (92-262)

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It is requested that you advise whether DE SALVO is known to your files or informants of your office and furnish such information as is available relative to him and his activities, and reason for being in Milwaukee.

The following is descriptive data regarding him:

Name	BENADETTO DE SALVO
Dob	8/24/16
Height	5'7"
Weight	169 lbs.
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark
Characteristics	Eyebrows meet, arms hairy
Parents	THOMAS and JOSEPHINE DE SALVO, 323 North Jackson Street, Milwaukee (1939 address)

FBI #1 746 244
Milwaukee PD #33213
Arrest record

1939 assault and robbery, 1 to 2 years, Green Bay Reformatory;
1946 threat to injure, burglary and larceny, dismissed 4/16/46.
1955 Mercury, yellow and black, Wisconsin license U54 611, registered to Subject at 4926 No. 38 St., Milwaukee.

Car

For Milwaukee copy:

For indexing purposes, ~~Enclosed is one photo of BENADETTO DE SALVO.~~ GARY LAYN furnished the descriptive data relative to the following individuals' automobiles:

MILWAUKEE PHIL ALDERISIO--Black 1962 Oldsmobile, Illinois license 552-338;
Black 1962 Oldsmobile, Ill. license GM3414;
ALBERT FRABOTTA, white 1962 Oldsmobile, Ill. license 727-397;

[redacted] 1961 Cadillac,
Ill. license [redacted]

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Date: 12/26/62

Transmit the following in PLAIN
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TO: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)
FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (92-625) (RM)

THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION";
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Re: BENADETTO DE SALVO

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A review of the files of the Las Vegas Division was negative concerning DE SALVO and [REDACTED]

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The files of the Credit Bureau of Southern Nevada furnished by [REDACTED] on 12/13/62 to IC [REDACTED] were negative re above two individuals.

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A review of the records of the Southern Nevada Telephone Co., Division of the Central Telephone Co., furnished by [REDACTED] to IC [REDACTED] were negative re DE SALVO and [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Bradmore Apartments, 720 S. 2nd St., Las Vegas, Nev., advised that their records show no one by

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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

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the name of DE SALVO or [] have ever resided at the Bradmore.

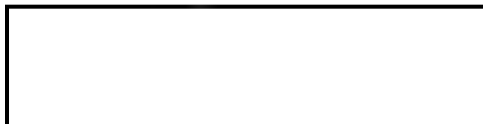
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[] has advised SA []
[] 12/18/62, that she [] Bradmore
apartments and she has no recollection of [] tenants
by the name of DE SALVO or []

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The following tenants of the Bradmore Apartments were interviewed on 12/18/62, by SA [] and it was determined that they had no info re DE SALVO or []

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No further investigation being conducted by this Division.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)

DATE: 12/27/62

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: CRIMINAL COMMISSION

On 12/13/62, BEN DI SALVO appeared at the Milwaukee Office of the FBI upon request. He advised that he was born and raised in Milwaukee, Wis. and resided in Milwaukee until August of 1952. He [REDACTED] moved to Brooklyn, New York in August of 1952. He stated the reason he went to Brooklyn was because he is a construction worker and work was difficult to secure around Milwaukee at that time but work was plentiful in Brooklyn, New York. He advised that, in Brooklyn, he was employed as a laborer, laying concrete for the Dic Concrete Company, 811 Almont (ph) Market, Long Island, New York. He advised that he worked for this concern during his entire stay in Brooklyn. He stated that he [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] he being Catholic [REDACTED] He advised that [REDACTED] and because of this [REDACTED]

He advised that [REDACTED] and that he returned to Milwaukee in September of 1962 to live with [REDACTED] Milwaukee.

He advised that during the last five years, while in Brooklyn, he [REDACTED] resided at 2816 Bath Childer Street (ph), Sheephead Bay, Brooklyn 35, New York, but that [REDACTED] previously had resided on Banner Avenue in Brooklyn. He stated that [REDACTED] while in Brooklyn, was employed at [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Brooklyn, New York. He stated that [REDACTED] is presently employed as a [REDACTED] at the [REDACTED] which is directly across the street from her place of residence.

DI SALVO stated that he is a very close friend of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] He also stated that he is well acquainted with the following individuals:

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1 - 92-165
1 - 92-257
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[REDACTED]
FRANK/BALISTIERI

STEVE DI SALVO
WALTER BLACKIE
AUGIE MANIACI
FRANK LA GALBO

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He advised that MIKE ALBANO is his nephew and presently operates a pizza joint known as Angelo's at 16th and Wells Street. He advised that ALBANO resides on 17th Street about two blocks north of Capitol Drive. He stated that once in a while he, DI SALVO, helps ALBANO out at his pizza joint.

He advised that STEVE DI SALVO is no relation of his. He stated that [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and is presently employed as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He denied knowing JOE GURERA. He advised that he has heard of the Mafia but has seen no evidence of it except on television. He denied knowing that any such organization or facsimile thereof is active in the City of Milwaukee, adding that, if there is, he has no knowledge of it. He repeatedly stated that he is just a working man trying to get along.

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He denied having ever been in Las Vegas, Nevada. He also denied that he had been ordered out of Milwaukee by the Italian syndicate in 1952 and was now given permission to return. He was asked as to whether or not he would inform the FBI if any hoodlum activity comes to his attention and he said he would.

The following is a description of BEN DI SALVO as taken from interview and observation:

Name:	BEN (NMN) DI SALVO
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Date of Birth:	8/24/16
Place of Birth:	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Height:	5'7"
Weight:	185 lbs.
Eyes:	Brown
Hair:	Black, graying
Complexion:	Ruddy

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)

DATE: 1/2/63

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: CRIMINAL COMMISSION

On 12/6/62 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that the [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was interviewed at the USA's office on 12/7/62 and advised as follows:

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He has known COSIMO MARZULLO for 15 years adding that [REDACTED] worked for th [REDACTED] Wisconsin 15 years ago and MARZULLO operated a cleaners and brought his cleaning to Paris. He advised that about five months ago, MARZULLO contacted him at his [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Wisconsin, and advised that MARZULLO told him that he had a sure way of beating the horses and wondered if he [REDACTED] wanted to invest some money with him. He was in poor financial condition and felt if he could make some easy money, he would do so. He advised he then gave MARZULLO \$300. He said since that time he has given MARZULLO \$700 additional, making it a total of \$1,000. He advised that MARZULLO has returned to him \$320, which reportedly was the result of winnings at the track. He stated that MARZULLO just returned \$62 to him the previous week. He advised that MARZULLO was to keep 50% of all the winnings. He advised that it is his understanding that he could get his original investment of \$1,000 back at any time, but stated he has not tried to do so and doesn't know whether or not he can. He advised that he contacted his brother and other individuals in the Racine area and that they too invested some money with MARZULLO and have gotten returns on it. He named them as follows, with the amount invested:

[REDACTED]
\$500

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[redacted] Wisconsin
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[redacted] Wis.
\$300

[redacted] Wisconsin
\$1,000

[redacted] Wisconsin
\$500

[redacted] NU, but who works for the [redacted]
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[redacted] Wisconsin,
was interviewed at the USA's office on 12/7/62. He advised
that he is the owner and operator of [redacted] in
[redacted]. He stated that about five or six weeks ago, he
met COSIMO MARZULLO at [redacted] store for the first
time. He said [redacted] explained to him, [redacted] MARZULLO's
operation and that he gave [redacted] \$1,000 to give to MARZULLO.
He said that, since that time he has recieved \$254 from
MARZULLO, which is supposed to be the result of MARZULLO's
winnings at the race track on his \$1,000. He advised that
MARZULLO keeps 50% of all the winnings. He advised that he
understands that he can get his original investment back at any
time but has not tried to do so, since MARZULLO has been
giving him a return on his investment.

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[redacted]
MARZULLO steadfastly denied that his operation was a con game
or a shake down operated by STEVE DI SALVO, JOE GURERA and
BUSTER BALESTRERE. He advised that they have nothing to do
with this operation.

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It is to be noted that [redacted] advised on 12/7/62 that COSIMO
MARZULLO some months ago was telling gamblers about his scheme
for beating the horses. He advised that MARZULLO is convinced
that he has a scheme devised to beat the horses and was
attempting to secure money to bet at the race track. [redacted]
advised that MARZULLO has very poor credit in Milwaukee and that

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if he is betting with the bookies he must have a "beard"
doing it for him, since no bookie will knowingly take his bet.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 12/3/62

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		11/21/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, AR	94-316	[redacted]	
JOE GURERA, AR	92-257	[redacted]	
STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165	[redacted]	
PETER BALISTRIERI, AR	92-226 (C)	[redacted]	
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON	
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON	
Purpose and results of contact		THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION 92-262 THOMPSON	
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE			
<p>Informant advised that [redacted] is really [redacted] who acts as a front man at [redacted]. Informant stated that he was aware that FRANK BALISTRIERI, JOE GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO were out of town the last few days but doesn't know where they were at. He stated he would try to find out. He advised he believed they left town because they were afraid of something. Informant stated that [redacted] is not living at her old apartment on [redacted] but doesn't know where she is living.</p> <p>With regard to two individuals who were supposed to be visiting JOE GURERA recently and who were supposed to be from Kansas City, he stated he doesn't know who they are and didn't know that there was someone from Kansas City visiting GURERA.</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Excellent	Coverage Gambling
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1-92-145

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Informant advised that the Checker Cleaners at 14th and Vliet is not a cleaners operated by the outfit but that [redacted] makes stops there, picking up and delivering clothes.

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Informant stated that [redacted] are actually [redacted] and [redacted] and that they are [redacted] He said they are supposed to [redacted]

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With regard to IRS raid on [redacted] apartment, informant stated that [redacted]

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Wps of value to IR Spec objections were filed

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John J. [unclear]

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 12/3/62

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		11/17/62
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
[redacted]		92-258
IGA		162-1 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION		92-262 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
Informant advised that he		[redacted]
[redacted]		
[redacted]		
He stated that		[redacted]
[redacted]		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent	Coverage Gambling
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TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 12/3/62

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		11/21/62	
[redacted]	ed	ITWI	165-76 [redacted]
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Purpose and results of contact			
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<p>Informant was shown a football schedule, which was published by Arcadia Sales and Publishing Co. and entitled Weekly Football Schedule. Informant advised that the schedule can be purchased at any downtown news outlet for 20¢ or 25¢. He advised that this form is used by betters and bookies. He stated the form in no way has any numbers in it indicating a code. He stated that it merely gives the starting time of each game, the date, the win and loss record of the previous year and the scores of the two competing teams of the previous year if they played against each other. He stated that the schedule also indicates the probable favorite but does not state the point spread for the game. He advised that each team has a number and that these numbers are used by the bookies when they receive the point spread and also by the betters when they receive the point spread. He advised that</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Excellent	Coverage Gambling

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they refer to the teams by numbers rather than by name only because it expedites matters. He advised that the squares appearing after the name of each team is to record the point spread as it changes during the week.

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TO : SAC Milwaukee

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FROM : SA

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Dates of Contact		11/21/62	
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CRIME CONDITIONS IN WISC.		92-255	THOMPSON
CIP		92-145	THOMPSON
IGA		162-1	THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, ETAL		92-262	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact			
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE			
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<p>Informant advised that [redacted] is presently in the House of Correction for 90 days for failure to pay parking tickets. With regard to the money orders that [redacted] is supposed to have stashed away, he stated that in his opinion this is just a lot of talk on [redacted] part and that he doesn't really believe that [redacted] has these money orders at all. Informant advised that with regard to the photo shown him, that Number 1 is [redacted] #2 is [redacted] and #3 is ROCCO MAGLIO, who runs the bar at the Turner Hall and supposedly books there. Informant stated that he knows the other individuals in the photo but cannot recall their names.</p>			
<p>With regard to [redacted] he stated that [redacted] is still [redacted] and that he recently bought a new Chevrolet. He stated that [redacted] won \$11,000 at the Homestead a couple of weeks ago and lost about \$5000 of that back to the gambling joint.</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage	
	Excellent	Gambling	
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1-92-262

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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 12/3/62

FROM : SA [redacted]

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Dates of Contact 11/17/62		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, AR	94-316	[redacted]
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal	92-262	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
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<p>Informant advised that he [redacted] [redacted] asked him on that day. Informant advised that he told [redacted] [redacted]</p>		
<p>Informant stated that gamblers pick up sheets at Reggie's Smoke Shop, which is between 16th and 17th on Wells Street.</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent	Coverage Gambling
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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 12/3/62

FROM : SA [redacted]



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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		11/17/62
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AR	92-257	[redacted]
FRANK STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165	
BUSTER BALESTRERE, AR	92-166	
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON	
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON	
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal AR-Conspiracy 92-262 THOMPSON		
Purpose and results of contact		
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Informant furnished the following information on 11/17/62 to SA [redacted]		
JOE GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO left Milwaukee over the previous weekend of November 10 and 11 and went some place unknown to informant. He does not know whether they went together. [redacted]		
[redacted] In this instance he does not know what caused them to leave. He said that FRANK BALISTRIERI also left town during the week, having left on Monday, November 12, and he does not know where FRANK went or how.		
Informant said that usually if these individuals use public transportation requiring that they give their names,		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent	Coverage Gambling
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such as for air line reservations, they will use their own first name and an Italian last name because of their appearance. He said that BONO, which translated means good, is a frequently used alias by Italian hoodlums. Informant said that it could be that the fact that a number of individuals were being called into the Milwaukee PD [redacted]

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provided the reason for these individuals to leave town. He said that he knew that [redacted]

[redacted] were called in [redacted] and asked about their current activities and asked whether they had any information about a gambler to be "hit." He said [redacted] was obviously upset about something, but he does not think that the Captain got any satisfaction from any of the individuals called in.

Informant said that pay offs to the mob continue at the regular pace [redacted]

[redacted] get considerably more than this from individuals although he does not know the details. He knows specifically that [redacted]

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[redacted] are paying off. He explained that the money [redacted] from which JOE GURERA, FRANK [redacted]

[redacted]

With regard to BUSTER BALESTRERE, he said that he usually collects from [redacted] but with the others being out of town this week BUSTER is making additional collections. He said that although BUSTER [redacted]

[redacted] is the type of individual who will take this "demotion" without complaint and will do exactly what the mob tells him to do. He said that BUSTER has a definitely sadistic streak in him and is the type of person who may enjoy suffering himself.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/6/62

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Dates of Contact

11/27/62 and 11/30/62

Titles and File #s on which contacted

VERNON HILLS COUNTRY CLUB, ITR; ITWI

165-18 [REDACTED]

CIP

92-145 THOMPSON

IGA

162-1 THOMPSON

THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal

92-262 THOMPSON

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE

☐ POSITIVE

On November 27, 1962 informant telephonically advised that he understood that [REDACTED] was moving back into the Vernon Hills Country Club gambling joint to resume operations there after this place was renovated. He said that during this time the gambling had been operated from the Old Homestead gambling joint on Highway 41 at the Illinois line.

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On November 30, 1962 informant stated that he had recently visited the Vernon Hills Country Club [REDACTED]. He said that he learned that [REDACTED] or Milwaukee has now moved to [REDACTED] Illinois permanently and is residing in an apartment there. He said that [REDACTED] had an apartment in [REDACTED] previously while working at [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] but only stayed there at night when he felt like it, usually returning to Milwaukee. He advised that [REDACTED] is the [REDACTED] for gamblers who come to these [REDACTED].

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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Excellent

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establishments.

In regards to the Vernon Hills Country Club, the informant said that it is located on Highway 45 south of Half-Day, that there is a motel, a white house behind it, and then the Vernon Hills Country Club behind this house. He stated that the gambling goes on in the white house behind the motel. He advised that the place is open for gambling from Sunday through Thursday from 9 P.M. to 4 A.M. and on Fridays and Saturday nights it opens at 9 P.M. and runs until at least 5 A.M. He advised that now the gambling has been moved back from the Homestead to the Vernon Hills Country Club. They have a man stationed at the Homestead gambling place in a car who tells the customers how to get to the Vernon Hills Country Club. Informant said that the night he went to the gambling joint he noticed the following individuals from Milwaukee who were patrons there:

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[REDACTED] (operator of [REDACTED] at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] who came with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Informant said that he learned that in the Vernon Hills Country Club they have an intercom system, a rather intricate lighting system so that a certain light must go on before a patron can come in or leave the place, and also have a two-way radio. He said that the attendant on the parking lot has a portable radio transmitter in his car, and he can call into the gambling place and let the individuals there know that customers are coming in and give their names, etc. Informant said that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He further advised that the place has double doors. The purpose of this is that if one door should be broken in by law enforcement officers in a raid they would still have to break through the other door in order to get inside. He said that if there is any question about some customer who has showed up in the parking lot either [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] will check them out to make sure they are okay to come in.

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Informant said that the Vernon Hills Country Club gambling equipment is set up the same as at the Homestead. There are three blackjack tables, two crap tables, and one roulette table. On the night he was there over 70 gamblers were present in the place.

Informant said that [REDACTED]

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He pointed out that the Homestead is now closed for gambling, which is at the Vernon Hills Country Club, but hoodlums do meet at that place from time to time.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/6/62

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Dates of Contact	
11/30/62	
Titles and File Numbers of Informants Contacted	
[REDACTED], IQA	162-13 [REDACTED]
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
IQA	162-1 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal	92-262 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact	
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE	
<p>Informant advised that [REDACTED] is presently booking out of a home at [REDACTED] Milwaukee, phone number [REDACTED]. He also said that [REDACTED] is obtaining the football and basketball lines from out of state. He has made certain that he is using handicappers in Las Vegas, Nevada.</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent
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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/6/62

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

Dates of Contact	
11/30/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
IGA-WS-LTs	162-1 THOMPSON
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal	92-262 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact	
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE	
<p>Informant said that football pool tickets are still being handled in Milwaukee and by a great many individuals who obtain the tickets either locally (mimeographed ones) or from the Great Lakes Building in Chicago, Illinois. He named the following as operators: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Informant further advised that basketball pool tickets will start coming out in approximately a week and that they will be for weekend games. He said that they are distributed before Tuesday on the weekend.</p> <p>Informant further advised that [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] Milwaukee, telephone [REDACTED] operates football and basketball pools and also is operating a book from the above number. He stated that [REDACTED] is a nephew of [REDACTED]</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent
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On November 30, 1962 informant [redacted]
[redacted] He stated that he had just obtained this from
[redacted] by the first name of [redacted] who hangs around with
[redacted] at the [redacted] He
said that this individual claims to be [redacted]
He said that they [redacted] he
described this individual as in his early [redacted] 5'10" - 6",
190 pounds, medium build, straight dark hair, high forehead,
and at one time [redacted] Informant
advised that [redacted] resides at [redacted] on
[redacted]

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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/6/62

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Dates of Contact		11/30/62
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
[REDACTED]	162-2	[REDACTED]
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal	92-262	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
<p>Informant was questioned as to the identity of a [REDACTED] who drives a [REDACTED] Informant stated that this individual operates [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] Milwaukee, and that he is strictly a better and has never been known to handle a book. He said that [REDACTED] bets with [REDACTED]</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent	Coverage 92-262-66
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1 - 92-145
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Memorandum

TO : SAC

FROM : SA

SUBJECT:

DATE: 12/3/62








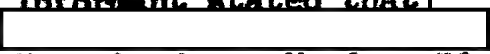
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Dates of Contact		11/21/62
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165	
FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, AR	94-316	
VERNON HILLS COUNTRY CLUB, ITWI	165-18	
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON	
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON	
CRIME CONDITIONS IN WISC.	92-255 THOMPSON	
Purpose and results of contact		
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, etal 92-262 THOMPSON		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE		
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Informant advised that STEVE DE SALVO 		
		
 Informant advised that the only person he can think of who 		
 BENNY DE SALVO, who is from Vegas and who is presently in town. Informant advised that he heard DE SALVO was in town to bolster up the MANIACI faction and that DE SALVO also has the reputation of being a torpedo man.		
Informant stated that 		
 went down to the State line--Old Homestead--on Monday, 11/19/62. He stated that the place		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
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1-92-145
1-92-255

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1-162-1
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was jammed packed with men and women, and that he later heard the club won \$30,000 that night. He advised that there were three games going; a roulette wheel, which took bets from 10¢ to \$100; a crap table, which took bets from a dollar and up; and a black jack table, which also took bets from \$1 and up. He stated that they were also raffling off 25 lb. turkeys. He stated that [redacted] who is the [redacted] offered [redacted] a job as an outside man for \$150 a week. He said that the outside man was supposed to watch out for stick ups and raids. He advised that he heard that [redacted] turned the job down. He advised that [redacted] is still [redacted] and that a [redacted] is the [redacted]

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Informant advised that the Half Day House and the gambling joint at Antioch are presently being renovated and hoped to be finished soon.

Informant advised that some of the customers who go down there from Milwaukee are [redacted] who is [redacted] at [redacted] and three [redacted] and he stated he could not recall the name of the third [redacted]

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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 12/3/62

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		11/21/62
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
[redacted] ITT	165-11	[redacted]
[redacted] IGA-WS	162-2	[redacted]
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON
[redacted] AR	92-246	[redacted]
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal	92-262	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
<p>Informant stated that [redacted] are still booking out of [redacted] home on [redacted] and are booking on the following numbers: [redacted] and [redacted]. He stated that they are doing a lot of business and that there is a lot of activity around [redacted] place every Monday. He listed the following as customers of PISCIUNE:</p> <p>[redacted] lays off bets; [redacted] lays off bets; [redacted] employed at [redacted] runs [redacted] on [redacted]</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	Excellent	Gambling
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[REDACTED] make pick ups for the
[REDACTED] on Mondays; also, [REDACTED] make pick ups
on Mondays.

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Informant advised that the word in the gambling circles
is that LOMBARDI, coach of the Green Bay Packers, is
not playing [REDACTED] because he suspects that [REDACTED]
is gambling and may be attempting to shave points.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/6/62

FROM : SA JOHN H. CASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Dates of Contact	
11/27/62 and 11/30/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, AR	94-316 [REDACTED]
JOE GUERRA, AR	92-257 [REDACTED]
STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165 [REDACTED]
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal	92-262 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact	
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE	
<p>On November 27, 1962 informant telephonically advised that JOE GUERRA has been out of town for a couple of days and no one seems to know where he has gone. He further advised that FRANK BALISTRIERI and STEVE DE SALVO have been making themselves scarce and seem to be in and out of town from time to time for some reason.</p> <p>On November 30, 1962 informant was questioned concerning the identity of BENEDETTA DE SALVO who was supposed to be in town from Las Vegas, Nevada with a couple of other hoodlums. Informant stated that DE SALVO is known by the first name of "BENNY" and that approximately 10 to 11 years ago he was ordered out of town by the Milwaukee outfit on the threat that he would be killed if seen around Milwaukee. He said that this was due to the fact that BENNY tried to move in on</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent
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the outfit taking over here, and this, of course, caused trouble between he and JOHN ALIOTO, the then leader of the outfit. He said that BENNY left Milwaukee and went to New York City to open a restaurant where he stayed for several years. He then left New York City and moved to Las Vegas, Nevada where he supposedly has a restaurant. Informant stated that BENNY showed up in Milwaukee approximately a month ago, and he, [redacted] have been making rounds of the Italian restaurants and bars in Milwaukee and BENNY seems to be in open defiance to the Italian organization here. Informant said that DE SALVO, [redacted]

[redacted] are not saying anything in particular to the Italians but just appear openly in the places which is in itself defiance of the Italians in power in Milwaukee at the present time, who are FRANK BALISTRERI, JOE GURERA, and STEVE DE SALVO. He said that BENNY has a reputation of being a "hit man" and that he knows that one other hoodlum from Las Vegas, Nevada came to Milwaukee with BENNY but that the two of them are never seen together. He stated that this is not a good situation and someone is very liable to get hurt in the near future. Informant pointed out that [redacted] has been closely allied with the MANIACIS and [redacted] in trying to get control of the Italian organization in Milwaukee, and BENNY is probably here to try to help them.

Informant also advised that [redacted] is residing at [redacted] where MIKE ALBANO had planned to open a gambling place and is taking care of the place for ALBANO until they finally try to open it for gambling when the "heat" is off.

Informant further advised that something is happening among the leaders of the outfit in Milwaukee. He said that BUSTER BALESTRERE and [redacted] the son of JOE, have not appeared at Acino Cleaners on South 1st Street for at least a week and [redacted] is no longer working there. He further advised that JOE GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO are not seen in night spots and other places in Milwaukee like they used to be. Informant stated that the [redacted] on [redacted] is picking up the Acino cleaning now and handling it and the individual who has always been there at Acino Cleaners and is a legitimate cleaner is about the only employee at the present time.

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In regards to "the office" booking, informant said that the outfit has still not established a central office and that [redacted] JOE ALIOTA, STEVE DE SALVO, and [redacted] still have their share of customers of the old office and contact the customers themselves by phone. There is no general place to call. He advised that [redacted] was still getting the line from Minnesota and furnishing it to [redacted] who in turn furnished it to other bookies. He advised that JOE ALIOTA is collecting most of the money due and paying off debts for the office. Informant said that FRANK BALISTRERI, BUSTER BALESTRERE, STEVE DE SALVO, and JOE GURERA are holding a meeting at GURERA's on the afternoon of November 30, 1962, the purpose of which is not known to him. He stated that all four of these individuals appeared to be very dejected and worried, and it may very possibly be due to the open defiance to the outfit of NICK COLURA, CARLO DI MAGGIO, and BENNY DE SALVO. He also believes that it is very possible that the "heat" put on the outfit by the Milwaukee Sheriff's Office and the Police Department was causing these individuals a great deal of worry.

Informant was questioned as to the identity of the wife of [redacted] who [redacted] owned by the BALISTRERIS. Informant stated that she was formerly a [redacted], and he believes that she was from Minneapolis. He stated that she is a rather [redacted] girl and that she works at the [redacted] for [redacted] as a [redacted]

On the same date informant advised that all the Italian gamblers, Paxio's on Fifth, Nino's, and the Holiday House are still paying off weekly to the outfit. He said that as far as he knows no new bookies or night clubs or taverns have been hit by GURERA or DE SALVO.

In regards to basketball booking, informant stated that [redacted] or JOE ALIOTA will make two calls daily out or state to get the basketball line but he does not know who they are calling. He advised that they will make one call at 11 a.m. to get the early line and another call at 1 p.m. daily to get the final line. Informant said that a surveillance of these individuals would reflect which one of them is making the phone call and that it will definitely be at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.



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In response to a question, informant advised that he is not acquainted with a [redacted] who [redacted] out of Chicago. He said that FRANK BALISTRIERI is probably buying juke boxes from time to time inasmuch as he has an interest in that local board and he keeps them, when not being used, at the Para Corporation. Informant pointed out that the juke boxes might be an excellent place to store any records.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/12/62

FROM : SA

JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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12/7/62

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE

☐ POSITIVE

Informant stated that [REDACTED] of the Milwaukee PD Vice Squad is quiet at the present time and is not meeting any of the gamblers or hoodlums in the open. In view of the present John Doe investigation there was more evidence of the fact that top members of the Milwaukee PD seem to be fighting among themselves. He said that he understands that there is rather hard feeling between [REDACTED] of the Security Squad, [REDACTED] of the Detective Bureau, and [REDACTED]

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/12/62

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE

☒ POSITIVE

In regards to information furnished previously by informant on an individual by the first name of [REDACTED] who was trying to [REDACTED] informant was shown a photograph of [REDACTED] Milwaukee PD # [REDACTED] and he stated that this definitely was the [REDACTED] he had referred to as making and trying to [REDACTED] individual again/as he [REDACTED] when [REDACTED] and hence he did not think he would be recontacted by him.

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/12/62

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Titles and File #s on which contacted			
FRANK PETER BALISTRERI, AR	94-316	[REDACTED]	
JOE GURERA, AR	92-257		
STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165		
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON	
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON	
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal	92-262	THOMPSON	
Purpose and results of contact			
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<p>Informant was questioned concerning GUS MARZULLO who was arrested on 12/6/62 by the Milwaukee PD after he was found in possession of some slips, etc. indicating he was betting on the horses. He stated that, as he has said previously, GUS MARZULLO is the individual who actually operated Acino Cleaners and that the place is actually owned by STEVE DE SALVO and that JOE GURERA [REDACTED] was at the desk in the cleaning establishment collecting money from gamblers on their weekly pay off and that BUSTER BALESTREERE was usually there most of the time. However, in the past week, JOE, STEVE, and BUSTER have not been seen in this establishment and informant believes that they are giving up this cleaning place as a "front" for their illegal activities. In regards to MARZULLO being a big gambler or better, informant stated that MARZULLO is a better on horses and places bets with bookies when he is able to do so. However, his credit is extremely bad and the majority of</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage	
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bookies will have nothing to do with GUS. Informant knows definitely that this individual would have to get someone else to place bets for him. He said that MARZULLO has been studying the horse races for years and thinks that he has an unbeatable system, but every time he bets he loses. In regards to MARZULLO claiming that he had approximately \$4500 which several individuals had given to him to bet on horse races and they claimed that he had been winning money for them, informant stated that this must be some sort of a con game that MARZULLO is running. He pointed out that if MARZULLO claims he has paid these men some amount of money as profits from their bets that he is probably lying and actually giving them back part of the \$4500 they gave him. He stated that MARZULLO was originally from Chicago, Illinois but he left there approximately 15 years ago after he got into trouble with the Chicago outfit and the word was out that he was going to be killed. He first went to Racine, Wisconsin and operated a cleaning establishment there, then came to Milwaukee. He said that STEVE DE SALVO and GUS have been personal friends for over 30 years and that is why he was working for STEVE at Acino Cleaners.

Informant stated that in recent conversations he learned that FRANK BALISTRIERI and the rest of the boys in the outfit are extremely disappointed in Mayor HENRY MAIER of Milwaukee. He said that from the conversations he had gathered that the outfit contributed money to MAIER's campaign and was made to understand that if MAIER won everything in Milwaukee would change and the town would be wide open. In fact, there was some rumor that if MAIER became Mayor he would put [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] in as Police Chief, replacing Chief HOWARD JOHNSON. However, this has not taken place and there has been no indication that MAIER has attempted to do this.

Informant stated that BUSTER BALESTRERE disappeared from Milwaukee on about November 30, 1962, and he has not been around since then. No one seems to know where he has disappeared to. He said that the outfit is definitely through with the Acino Cleaning place as a front and that none of them go there any more. He said that he had also learned that FRANK BALISTRIERI, STEVE DE SALVO, BUSTER BALESTRERE no longer use the office at the Para Corporation for meetings

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with hoodlums from Milwaukee or out of town, and that they have a new place, the location of which he hopes to learn in the near future.

Informant said that JOE GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO are getting extremely rough with the bookies who do not pay their \$100 to \$150 promptly and are also getting rough on betters who owe them money. He said that these individuals are contacting the bookies and betters and warning them if they do not pay up in a hurry they are going to have their heads cracked open. He said that GURERA and DE SALVO have not contacted any taverns or night clubs in the Milwaukee area for weekly pay offs.

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Informant stated that BENNY DE SALVO of Las Vegas is still in Milwaukee and that he is living with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in town next week. He said that DE SALVO is seen regularly with [REDACTED] at the different Italian night spots and seems to be in open defiance of the Milwaukee Division.

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Informant said that FRANK BALISTRERI and the outfit are extremely upset over [REDACTED] a former [REDACTED] who is now [REDACTED] for FRANK BALISTRERI. According to the rumors around town, [REDACTED] gave information to Milwaukee PD Security Squad which he had obtained while [REDACTED] for FRANK BALISTRERI and the latter is very upset over it. Informant said that [REDACTED]

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In regards to the [REDACTED]

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Informant said that [redacted] will definitely handle any obtaining of the line from out of state for basketball games and that he used to call at 11 a.m. and again at 1 p.m. but now he has cut out the morning line and will only make 1 phone call around 1 or 2 p.m. for the final line. He advised that [redacted] then furnishes the line to [redacted] [redacted], and the other Milwaukee bookies obtain the same from [redacted]

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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/12/62

FROM : SA

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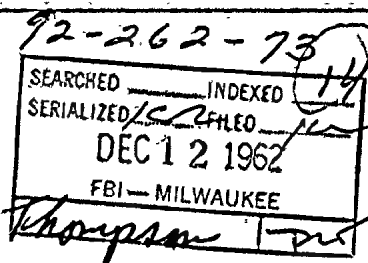
Dates of Contact		12/7/62
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
STEVE DE SALVO, AR		92-165 [REDACTED]
JOE GURERA, AR		92-257 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ITWI		165-46 THOMPSON
CIP		92-145 THOMPSON
IGA		162-1 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal		92-262 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
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<p>Informant said a great many of the gamblers and bookies in Milwaukee, who are not of Italian extraction, are not acquainted with and probably have never seen JOE GURERA or STEVE DE SALVO and that [REDACTED] is one of these individuals. He said that there have been rumors, however, that [REDACTED] has openly stated that [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] Informant said that as a result of these rumors on the night of 12/6/62 [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
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Informant said that when [REDACTED]

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Milwaukee Special Squad has contacted all gamblers and bartenders in the Milwaukee area and shown them a photograph of these individuals. He said that [REDACTED]

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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/12/62

FROM : SA

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Dates of Contact

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Titles and File #s on which contacted

[REDACTED] IQA

162-13 [REDACTED]

IQA

162-1 THOMPSON

CIP

92-145 THOMPSON

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92-262 THOMPSON

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE

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Informant stated that [REDACTED] is still obtaining the line out of Las Vegas, Nevada and that he understands that [REDACTED] in Las Vegas is furnishing [REDACTED] with information on lines. He said [REDACTED] card tables for poker and blackjack at a gambling casino in Las Vegas which he believes to be the Freemont Hotel although he is not absolutely certain of the name of it.

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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Titles and File #s on which contacted

JOHN CHARLES RIZZO

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92-145 THOMPSON

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92-262 THOMPSON

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☐ POSITIVE

Informant was questioned as to activities of [redacted] who is an [redacted] and believed possibly handling bets. Informant stated that [redacted] is [redacted] in [redacted] and that he also [redacted]. He said that [redacted] all of Milwaukee, got into some trouble in [redacted] Wisconsin recently and [redacted] for them having been hired through JOHNNY RIZZO who is one of his closest friends. He said that [redacted] is also [redacted] for GRECO who operates a restaurant in the same building where RIZZO operates his gambling establishment in Kenosha. He advised that it is very possible that [redacted] may be taking bets on horses and other sporting events and laying them off with RIZZO inasmuch as he is such a close friend of the latter.

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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Titles and File #s on which contacted		
BENNIE ALLEGRETTI, aka.	168-53	
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON	
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON	
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal	92-262 THOMPSON	
Purpose and results of contact		
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<p>Informant stated that he is acquainted with BENNIE ALLEGRETTI and that the latter is a Chicago hoodlum who hangs around the night spots and gambling joints in Cicero, Illinois a great deal. He said that he understands that BENNIE handles foot-ball, basketball and pool cards in the Chicago area and that he undoubtedly obtains them from the Carleton Printing Company in the Great Lakes Building in that city. Informant further advised that he is quite certain that BENNIE does not distribute any pool cards in Southern Wisconsin, including Milwaukee as all the cards in this area are handled by local gamblers and ALLEGRETTI would have no reason to come into Wisconsin. He stated that both BENNIE and JAMES ALLEGRETTI are well respected in the Chicago syndicate and have a great deal of power there.</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 12/21/62

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact:

12/14/62

Titles and File #s on which contacted

[redacted] ITWI	165-13 [redacted]
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal	92-262 THOMPSON

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE

Informant stated that [redacted] is definitely running a book out of his home and is using the telephone which is listed in his name in the telephone book. He does not know where [redacted] is getting his line but is quite certain that it is out of State inasmuch as he very seldom checks with the other bookies for the line.

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Informant was questioned as to the identity of [redacted] aka [redacted] who works at the [redacted] in Milwaukee, and as to whether or not she is frequently with [redacted] Informant stated that [redacted] has been [redacted] at the [redacted] for 5 or 6 years and is the [redacted] that work there. He stated that [redacted] has gone with [redacted] for years and is his mistress.

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 12/21/62

FROM : SA [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		12/14/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
STEVE DE SALVO, AR		92-165	[redacted]
JOSEPH GURERA, AR		92-257	[redacted]
[redacted]	aka [redacted] ITWI	165-45	THOMPSON
[redacted]	ITWI	165-12	[redacted]
RAY HOBERT, aka; TED AZZARELLA. ITAR		166-1	THOMPSON
CIP		92-145	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		162-1	THOMPSON
IGA		92-262	THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION			
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Informant stated that STEVE DE SALVO and JOE GURERA [redacted]			
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Informant said that [redacted]			
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[redacted] Informant advised that TED			
AZZARELLA is now booking rather heavily and is paying a weekly amount to STEVE and JOE. He stated that AZZARELLA is booking from Concord 4-8987.			
Informant further advised that [redacted] moved his booking operation on Monday, December 10, from [redacted] to [redacted]			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.		Rating	Excellent
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another address which is unknown to him. He is not absolutely
certain of [redacted] new phone number but believes it/is [redacted]
He said that [redacted] has [redacted]

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TO : SAC **Milwaukee**

DATE: **12/21/62**

FROM : SA **JOHN H. GASSAWAY**

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Titles and File #s on which contacted			
TONY PETROLLE; TOM MACHI ITVI	165-45	THOMPSON	
JOE GURERA, AR	92-262	THOMPSON	
STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165		
BUSTER BALESTRENE, AR	92-165		
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON	
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON	
Purpose and results of contact		THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262 THOMPSON
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<p>Informant was questioned as to why there was so much contact in August of 1962 between the Chicago syndicate, "the office" in Milwaukee and the local Italian bookies in Milwaukee. Informant stated that all of these contacts were evidently over the pay off demanded by "the office" of the Italian gamblers in Milwaukee. He said, as he had informed previously, that after the Italian gamblers were approached for a weekly pay off they all started calling individuals in the outfit who had influence in Chicago, Cleveland and other cities, trying to get these individuals to stop in and stop JOE GURERA, STEVE DE SALVO and BUSTER BALESTRENE from making them pay such a tribute. He said that these calls back and forth undoubtedly were concerning this matter. He advised that after the outfit here had discovered that the gamblers had tried to get outside leaders to intercede for them, there was a rumor that one of the Italian gamblers in Milwaukee would be "hit," and</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage	
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after this they again contacted out of town leaders and some of the calls were probably on this matter also, but all of it had to do with the pay off demanded weekly of the Italian gamblers in Milwaukee.

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TO : SAC MILWAUKEE [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/21/62

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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VERNON HILLS COUNTRY CLUB ITWI	165-18
JOHN CHARLES RIZZO, AR	92-164 [REDACTED]
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal	92-262 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact	
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Informant advised that [REDACTED] who operates the Vernon Hills Country Club. [REDACTED]	
[REDACTED]	
Informant also stated that [REDACTED] had not planned to move his operations from the Old Homestead back to the Vernon Hills Country Club as early as he actually did but that the heat was put on him by JOHN RIZZO to get away from the State Line. Informant explained that with RIZZO operating a gambling game in Kenosha the fact that [REDACTED] operated one at the State line at the Old Homestead hurt RIZZO a great deal as many of his gambling customers went to [REDACTED] instead. RIZZO, therefore, wanted [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent
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**move back to Half Day to the Vernon Hills Country Club
for his gambling operation so that it would not hurt
RIZZO's business so much.**

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Memorandum

TO : SAC **Milwaukee** [redacted]

DATE: **12/21/62**

FROM : SA [redacted]

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[redacted] AR	92-258
[redacted] IGA-NS	162-2 [redacted]
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal	92-262 thompson
Purpose and results of contact	
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<p>Informant furnished the following information, which he stated should be treated extremely confidentially as there are very few people who know anything concerning it:</p> <p>He advised that [redacted]</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>[redacted] He stated that the [redacted]</p> <p>[redacted]</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent
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[REDACTED] **informant stated that** [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] **to a certain extent. He said**
that he knows definitely that the other day [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

He also stated that [REDACTED]

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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee

DATE: 12/21/62

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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Dates of Contact		12/14-16/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
FRANK BALISTRIERI, AR	94-316		
JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AR	92-257		
STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165		
BUSTER BALESTRENE, AR	92-166		
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON	
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON	
Purpose and results of contact		THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262 thompson
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<p>Informant advised on 12/14/62 that BUSTER BALESTRENE re-appeared in Milwaukee on 12/13/62 after being away from approximately two weeks. He stated that he was in hopes of learning where BUSTER had been within the near future.</p> <p>Informant advised that FRANK BALISTRIERI, STEVE DE SALVO and JOE GURERA are very unhappy with GUS MARZULLO for betting on horses and other sporting events. He said that when GUS was arrested by the Milwaukee PD, FRANK BALISTRIERI sent him [redacted] to help GUS out and also sent the money for his bond through STEVE DE SALVO and JOE GURERA. At the time, FRANK did not know why GUS had been picked up; and when he found out, it was for betting, he said he would not have helped him out in this matter at all had he known this beforehand.</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage	
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Informant stated that BENNY DE SALVO is still in Milwaukee and residing with [redacted] at [redacted]

[redacted] He said that DE SALVO is still seen in places frequented by Italians in the company of [redacted] and the Milwaukee outfit evidently is going to allow him to stay around despite the fact that he was run out of town ten years ago and told never to come back or he would be killed. Informant stated that he had now learned that DE SALVO [redacted] when they left Milwaukee, went to Brooklyn, New York, where they ran a restaurant. They [redacted] and BENNY went to Los Angeles where he operated a restaurant for a period of time; and after having a conciliation [redacted], he returned to Brooklyn and came to Milwaukee from Brooklyn, not Los Angeles as informant had previously said. He stated that he does not believe the outfit will do anything to DE SALVO at the present time as the "heat" is on the outfit due to the John Doe hearing and they do not want to do anything to cause any more trouble.

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Informant said that STEVE DE SALVO and BUSTER BALESTRERE are going to [redacted]

[redacted] He also stated that these individuals are really putting the pressure on gamblers and other individuals who owe them money. and on the night of December 12 JOE GURERA slapped [redacted] around because the latter did not have his weekly payment ready for him.

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Informant was asked as to the identity of a "GUS" who was seen with JOE GURERA at Gallagher's on the night of December 12 and who was described as short in stature, heavy and older than JOE GURERA and had thick lips and droopy eyes with slicked thinning gray hair. Informant stated that this answers the description of GUS MARZULLO, but he does not know the significance of MARZULLO meeting with JOE GURERA and said that JOE may be trying to help him get out of his trouble with the PD. In connection with Gallagher's, informant said that FRANK BALISTRERI has been [redacted]

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He said that BUSTER BALESTRERE must be back in the good graces of the outfit as [redacted]

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In regards to "the office," a book operated by heads of the Milwaukee outfit, informant stated that "the office" now only has eight betting customers and that they have told other betters that they are out of business. He said that they kept the best customers such as [redacted]. He advised that [redacted] is taking the action and that he does so by making a phone call himself to the particular better and is not supplying the telephone number to anyone. He further advised that the [redacted] is obtaining the late basketball line around 12:45 PM daily, and he is quite certain that he is obtaining the line from out of State. He advised that the [redacted] then gives the line to [redacted] who relays it to other bookies in Milwaukee either by making phone calls to them or they calling him directly.

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On 12/15/62, informant was telephonically contacted at which time he advised he is quite certain that [redacted] who resides on [redacted] was identical to an individual referred to as [redacted]. He further advised that [redacted] was still operating a night club in [redacted] and that "POP" MANIACI died approximately one year ago.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC **Milwaukee**

FROM : SA **JOHN H. GASSAWAY**

SUBJECT:

DATE: **1/4/63**

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Dates of Contact	
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Titles and File #s on which contacted	
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CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact	
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive	
<p>Informant advised that RIZZO operates his gambling joint regularly on Friday, Saturday and Sunday of each week, and a great many of his customers are from Milwaukee, Wisconsin; in fact, RIZZO could not operate profitably if it were not for Milwaukee customers.</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	
Personal Data	<div style="text-align: right; margin-bottom: 5px;">92-262-83</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Rating Excellent</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Coverage Gambling</div>

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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 1/4/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		12/21/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
[redacted]	ITWI	165-11	[redacted]
[redacted]	IGA	162-2	[redacted]
[redacted]	AR	92-258	
TONY PETROLLE; TOM MACHI, ITWI		165-45	THOMPSON
[redacted]	aka; [redacted] ITWI	165-46	THOMPSON
CIP		92-145	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		162-1	THOMPSON
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative	IGA	92-262	THOMPSON
<input type="checkbox"/> Positive	THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION		
Informant advised that he knows definitely that [redacted]			
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He said that [redacted]			
[redacted]			
[redacted] He advised that TONY PETROLLE			
[redacted]			
He said that [redacted]			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.			
Personal Data		Rating	Excellent
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Informant said that approximately ten days ago he knows definitely that [redacted]

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He said that [redacted]
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Informant said that there is a rumor around town among the hoodlums and gamblers that so far the John Doe Hearing has developed no real information against organized crime in Milwaukee.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 1/4/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact	
12/21/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
IGA-WS	162-1 THOMPSON
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
[redacted]	165-43 [redacted]
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THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact	
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive	
Informant stated that [redacted] and [redacted] now have a small crap game going and that it is a "floating" game in that they move from place to place several times a week. Informant advised that he was recently contacted concerning the [redacted]	
[redacted] He said that [redacted] will be [redacted] Informant stated that he would learn more concerning this [redacted] and said that for the time being no information should be given out on this as it would definitely pin-point him.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	
Personal Data	Rating Excellent Coverage Gambling

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In regards to horse races, informant said that there was definitely a fixed race several days ago and that it was in the 9th or 10th race at Fair Grounds on a horse named Albuquerque. The horse won the race by six lengths and paid \$32. [REDACTED] won approximately \$15,000 from several different bookies in Milwaukee.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC **Milwaukee** [redacted]

FROM : SA **JOHN H. GASSAWAY**

SUBJECT: [redacted]

DATE: **1/4/63**

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Dates of Contact	
12/21/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
[redacted] aka [redacted] ITWI	165-46 THOMPSON
[redacted] IGA	162-13 [redacted]
[redacted] ITWI	165-12 [redacted]
TONY PETROLLE, TOM MACHI, ITWI	165-45 THOMPSON
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact	92-262 THOMPSON
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive	
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	
<p>Informant advised that [redacted] is leaving for Florida shortly and will take his girl friend [redacted] with him. He is opening a [redacted] Florida, after the holidays and has said that he has the okay from the outfit there to operate gambling at his new place.</p> <p>Informant advised that the following are the telephone numbers for [redacted]s new booking location: [redacted] and [redacted]. He said that one of [redacted] bar-tenders at the [redacted] an individual by the first name of [redacted] books out of [redacted] when [redacted] is not around. Informant said that [redacted] does not know about this and would be very unhappy if he were to find it out as he tries not to have any gambling or booking going on directly out of his [redacted]</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	
Personal Data	Rating Excellent
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He advised that [redacted] and [redacted] are both using
the line, which is obtained daily by [redacted] He
said that [redacted]

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He advised that [redacted]

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FROM : SA

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Dates of Contact		12/31/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, AR	94-316		
JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AR	92-257		
STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165		
BUSTER BALESTRENE, AR	92-166		
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, Etal	92-252 THOMPSON		
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON		
Purpose and results of contact		CIP	
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive		92-145 THOMPSON	
Informant stated that FRANK BALISTRIERI, JOE GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO have not been [redacted]			
[redacted]			
In connection with [redacted]			
[redacted]			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.			
Personal Data		Rating	Excellent
		Coverage	Gambling
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[redacted] Also, in regards to [redacted]
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[redacted] He described her as a girl around [redacted]
years of age with [redacted] hair and medium build.

Informant said that there is a new development concerning the possible activities of the Italian organization in Milwaukee inasmuch as [redacted] was discharged from the Wisconsin State Prison at Waupun on [redacted]. He pointed out that [redacted] was sent back to the prison for [redacted] after he [redacted]

[redacted] in the IZZY POGROB murder case in which local authorities suspected that [redacted] was the killer. Informant pointed out that the organization must be worried concerning [redacted] inasmuch as DOMINIC FRINZI, the syndicate attorney, and STEVE DE SALVO drove to [redacted] and picked up [redacted] when he was released and drove him back to Milwaukee. According to informant, [redacted] is now staying at JOE GURERA's home, and [redacted]

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[redacted] He said that on the night of [redacted] release FRANK BALISTRERI, [redacted] JOE GURERA, BUSTER BALESTRERE and STEVE DE SALVO all met [redacted] at JOE GURERA's home and had a party. He advised that [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] Informant said that he believes that this must have something to do with the POGROB killing, and it is possible [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] Informant said that [redacted]
[redacted] another of FRANK BALISTRERI's [redacted] was also at this party.

He said that from what he can learn [redacted] will very possibly start approaching non-Italian gamblers and night club operators for a weekly pay off the same as the Italians have been approached. He stated that [redacted] is an ideal person to do this inasmuch as he is not an Italian and he has the reputation of being a strong-arm man and killer and would probably be able to bring these individuals in line in short order.

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Informant said that he has been unable to ascertain where BUSTER BALESTRENE spent the two-week period when he was out of Milwaukee. He said that [redacted]

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Informant said that he learned that [redacted] are now working at the [redacted] in the [redacted] for the individual from Kansas City on whom he previously furnished information.

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In regards to "the office," informant said that JOE ALIOTA is now definitely obtaining the basketball line for "the office" and is the only bookie in Milwaukee at the present time who is obtaining the line from out of State. He said that JOE makes a call from some public phone booth anywhere from 11:45 AM to 12:30 PM daily except on Mondays when he calls for the line anywhere from one to two PM. He stated that ALIOTA uses different phone booths for this purpose, and he has [redacted]

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He advised that ALIOTA evidently calls the line in to [redacted] who in turn gives it to [redacted] and then the other bookies call [redacted] and obtain the line. He said that "the office" still has only about eight customers, has no regular office or specific telephone, and JOE ALIOTA and [redacted] call the customers to place bets with them and give out no phone numbers.

Informant further advised that the Acino Cleaners has now changed its name to Checker Cleaners and that [redacted] is still [redacted]. He said that STEVE DE SALVO, JOE GURERA and BUSTER BALESTRENE are actually running this business for the outfit and that [redacted]

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Memorandum

TO : SAC **Milwaukee**

DATE: **1/4/63**

FROM : SA **JOHN H. GASSAWAY**

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<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; margin-bottom: 2px;"></div> Etal ITWI	165-43
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact	
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive	
<p>Informant was questioned concerning a who was arrested by the Milwaukee PD in possession of Goal Post football pool tickets. He stated that this is rather than and that the tickets in his possession were obtained by someone from the Carlton Printing Company in Chicago, Ill. He said that there are a few basketball pool cards being brought into Milwaukee from the Carlton Printing Co. and they are being brought in by several different individuals, no particular person handling any large quantity. He advised that and are handling tickets coming out of this printing company, but he does not know how they are obtaining them.</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	
Personal Data	Rating Excellent
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Memorandum

TO : SAC

Milwaukee

DATE: 1/4/63

FROM : SA

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Dates of Contact		12/28/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
	aka ITWI	165-46	THOMPSON
	ITWI	165-12	
	IGA	162-13	
	ITWI	165-13	
	IGA	162-1	THOMPSON
	CIP	92-145	THOMPSON
		92-252	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Positive		
<p>Informant advised that as far as he knows [redacted] is not paying off, although [redacted] He advised that [redacted]</p> <p>[redacted] He stated that [redacted] probably will return to Milwaukee in March of 1963 in time for the beginning of the baseball season.</p> <p>He advised that [redacted] is not calling [redacted] any more but is [redacted] as well as [redacted] and [redacted] (us) stated he doesn't know the last name of [redacted]. He stated that [redacted] is now booking on [redacted] which was his old place, and that the telephone numbers are [redacted] and [redacted]</p> <p>He advised that [redacted] is presently booking out of his home.</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.			
Personal Data		Rating Excellent	
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TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 1/3/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. GISSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact

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Titles and File #s on which contacted

FRANK FRANK BALISTRIERI, AR

94-316

JOSEPH FRANK GURELA, AR

92-257

JOHN CHARLES RIZZO, AR

92-164

BUSTER BALISTRIERI, AR

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STEVE DE SALVO, AR

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Purpose and results of contact

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☐ POSITIVE

Informant was questioned as to the reason JOHNNY RIZZO of Kenosha contacted STEVE DE SALVO in Milwaukee during the week of December 29, 1962. He said that he had learned that RIZZO came to Milwaukee to get an okay from the outfit to take over Racine and Kenosha. Wisconsin for pay off to the outfit. He said that [redacted]

[redacted] At the present time he is collecting pay offs weekly from [redacted] and also from a Negro who operates a [redacted] in [redacted]

He said [redacted]

Informant said that on the night of January 3, 1963 JOHNNY

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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RIZZO, his [redacted] and [redacted] who works at RIZZO's crap game in Kenosha, came to Milwaukee and met STEVE DE SALVO and JOE GURERA at Gallagher's after the Globe Trotter basketball game. He said that they had one drink at Gallagher's and that all of them then went to the Pfister Hotel for a meeting. Informant advised that on last Sunday, December 30, 1962 JOHNNY RIZZO's crap game at Kenosha [redacted]

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[redacted] Informant said he learned that [redacted] from Milwaukee won over \$3,000 at RIZZO's, [redacted] won over \$1,800, and [redacted] won \$300 in the game that Sunday night.

Informant stated that the outfit is now planning to move in on all of the gamblers and night club operators in Milwaukee for pay offs, and this includes non-Italians as well as the Italians. He said that recently the outfit has examined several more pay off accounts including [redacted] who operates the [redacted] also [redacted] whose true name is [redacted] who operates a poker game; and MILO LALICH, who operates the Green Bay Restaurant and also books with EARL APPELT. He stated that an individual by the name of [redacted] runs a book at the Antlers Hotel pool room and is also paying off to the outfit.

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Informant stated that JOE ALIOTA is now obtaining the line from out of state on football and basketball and is furnishing the same to [redacted] who also works for the office, who in turn furnishes it to [redacted] and to other bookies in the Milwaukee area. He said that ALIOTA gets the football line and the basketball line from a different one. He obtains the basketball line [redacted] He is quite certain that ALIOTA is getting his basketball line out of Chicago but does not know the number. He hopes to be able to supply this in the near future as [redacted]

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[redacted] He said that ALIOTA [redacted]

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[redacted] He advised that the other day he noticed JOE ALIOTA was now driving a 1960 or 1961 white Cadillac with a 1960 Wisconsin license series. In regards to STEVE DE SALVO supposedly running a poker or crap game in Cudahy, Wisconsin, informant stated that he has not heard of this and believes he would know if such were occurring. He said that he does recall that in 1959 and 1960 a [redacted]

[redacted] who used to [redacted] ran poker and crap games in that city and STEVE DE SALVO backed these games financially and had a part of them. He said that it is very possible that [redacted] is again operating gambling games in Cudahy and STEVE DE SALVO may be backing him. In regards to setting up gamblers and night club operators in Milwaukee for pay offs, informant advised that he believes that [redacted] who was recently discharged from WSP, Waupun, will be a member of the outfit who will contact non-Italians for these pay offs. He pointed out that [redacted] is known as a strong-arm man and is greatly feared by everyone as he is believed to have been involved in the killing of IZZY POOROS and also suspected of other beatings and robberies in the Milwaukee area. Informant stated that he has noted that [redacted] has definitely moved into BUSTER BALESTRENE's place in the outfit and that FRANK BALISTRERI is still the head of the outfit but that his lieutenants now are STEVE DE SALVO, JOE GURERA and [redacted] with BUSTER BALESTRENE in the background. Informant said that if it had not been for the fact that BUSTER is a brother-in-law of JOE GURERA that BUSTER very possibly would not be living at the present time. He said that [redacted]

[redacted] pay offs from Italian gamblers and night club operators in Milwaukee.

He advised that [redacted] is presently living with JOE GURERA and that he and JOE are constant companions and if [redacted] is not with JOE GURERA he is seen with STEVE DE SALVO and sometimes with both of them. He advised that [redacted] can always be found at Gallagher's between 1 or 2 (on Mondays or Tuesdays and each night) often at the Para Corporation in the afternoons. He advised that the outfit has no special meeting place at the present time as the members know that they are being closely surveilled by the Milwaukee PD Special Squad.

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In regards to the disappearance of [REDACTED] informant stated that [REDACTED] is a [REDACTED] and that he left for California, probably Los Angeles, around Christmas time [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Informant said that [REDACTED] is a messenger boy for FRANK BALISTIERI [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] In connection with the above, informant said that [REDACTED] formerly of Milwaukee, now in California and operating a book in Encino, California is near the establishment of ANDY LOCCO.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 1/8/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Titles and File #s on which contacted

STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165 HOLTZMAN
JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AR	92-257 [redacted]
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262 THOMPSON
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☐ POSITIVE

Informant advised that he has learned that JOE GURERA has

[redacted] He advised that GURERA evidently just recently [redacted]

[redacted] He does not know where [redacted] He further advised that GURERA also [redacted]

He said that GURERA will [redacted]

However, he will [redacted]

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

Rating

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He said that he does not know why [redacted]
[redacted] but that he may have some definite plan in
mind in [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 1/8/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. CASSAWAY

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☐ PCI ☐ PSI

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Titles and File #s on which contacted	
EARL LOUIS APPELT; MILO LALICH, ITW	165-73
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262 THOMPSON
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact	
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive	
<p>Informant said that MILO LALICH who operates a Green Bay restaurant is hooking with EARL APPELT out of a room which is located on West Wells Street either between Third and Fourth or Fourth and Fifth Streets. He further advised that MILO is now making regular weekly pay offs to the outfit in order to operate as a gambler.</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	
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	Coverage Gambling

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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 1/8/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Dates of Contact		1/4/63
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
THOMAS JAMES MACHI, TONY PETROLLE, ITWI	165-45	THOMPSON
[REDACTED]	92-258	
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262	THOMPSON
IOA	162-1	THOMPSON
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive		
<p>Informant was questioned as to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] TONY MACHI is not a gambler or bookie but just bets now and then for pleasure. Informant said that is very easy to explain: [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>Informant said that MACHI is now operating a book for he and his brother TONY PETROLLE and is operating it out of the Oakland Avenue address using the two phone numbers already furnished by informant. He advised that [REDACTED] regularly contacts the customers of this booking operation on Mondays, usually during the day, and makes pay offs and settles accounts with them at that time.</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.		
Personal Data	Rating	Excellent
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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 1/8/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Dates of Contact		1/4/63
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
[REDACTED] aka [REDACTED] ITWI	165-46	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IGA	162-13	CURRAN
[REDACTED] ITWI	165-12	KNICKREIM
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262	[REDACTED]
IGA	162-1	[REDACTED]
CIP	92-145	[REDACTED]
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive		
Informant advised that [REDACTED] has now gone to Florida and that he will be returning to Milwaukee [REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED] However, informant has every reason to believe that [REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED] He advised that [REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED] He described [REDACTED] as in her [REDACTED] hair, medium build, 5'5"-5'6", no said that she has a police record and the Vice Squad is well acquainted with her. He advised that [REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.		
Personal Data	Rating	Excellent
	Coverage	Gambling

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Informant stated that

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He advised that [REDACTED] is still booking at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and that he makes collections and pays off his
customers on Friday nights at the Driftwood Tavern on East
Capitol Drive. He advised that [REDACTED] is operating his
book out of the same place as furnished previously and that
[REDACTED] operates on [REDACTED] operates book out of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] He said that [REDACTED] takes a great many bets
EVERY LINE DURING the week [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 1/8/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. CASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Dates of Contact		1/4/63	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
FRANK PETER BALISTRERI, aka, AR	94-316		
JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka, AR	92-257		
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262	THOMPSON	
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON	
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON	
Purpose and results of contact			
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive			
<p>Informant was questioned as to the identity and activities of one [REDACTED] who claims to be [REDACTED] and lives at [REDACTED] and is allegedly a good friend of FRANK BALISTRERI and other members of the outfit. Informant stated that he is acquainted with this individual and that [REDACTED] is usually sitting at Fazio's on Fifth in the evenings playing gin rummy for high stakes. He said that he usually can be found in the piano bar at the night club and is generally alone except when playing cards. He further advised that [REDACTED] stops in Henri's Tavern quite often and is a good friend of [REDACTED]. He said he is quite certain that [REDACTED] is not a bookie but believes that he likes to place bets on sporting events. He said that [REDACTED] drives a 1962 Pontiac which is [REDACTED] in color. Informant believed that very shortly he can ascertain [REDACTED] activities and associations.</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.			
Personal Data		Rating	
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Milwaukee (92-262)

DATE: 1/9/63

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION
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On 1/4/63, [REDACTED] furnished the following information, which should be handled with care so that [REDACTED] does not become aware that we have this information:

[REDACTED] some time ago had received [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] said that

[REDACTED] has refused to [REDACTED]

who is [REDACTED]

but that

[REDACTED] learned that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said the [REDACTED] surprised him as he did not realize

that [REDACTED]

and said [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] He said he had recently learned that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] which fact also surprised him, but that this had not materialized and that he would make further efforts to determine in what manner [REDACTED]

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TO : SAC **Milwaukee** [redacted]

DATE: **1/8/63**

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		12/28/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
VERNON HILLS COUNTRY CLUB, Gambling Club	165-18	[redacted]	
STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165	[redacted]	
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON	
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON	
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262	THOMPSON	
Purpose and results of contact			
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive			
<p>Informant advised that according to [redacted]</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>He advised that [redacted] has moved to [redacted] Ill. but still works for [redacted] [redacted] which according to informant is actually in [redacted] and not in Half Day.</p> <p>Informant stated that STEVE DE SALVO does not have a gambling place in Cudahy, Wisc., and that if he did have informant would have known about it.</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.			
Personal Data		Rating Excellent	
		Coverage Gambling 92-262-97	

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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 1/8/63

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		12/28/62	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
[redacted]	aka [redacted]	ITWI (C)	165-46 THOMPSON
[redacted]	IGA		162-13
[redacted]	JOHN CHARLES RIZZO, AR		92-184
[redacted]	ITWI		165-12
[redacted]	IGA-LTs		162-23
[redacted]	BUSTER BALESTRERE, ITWI	(C)	165-15
Purpose and results of contact		STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative		CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
<input type="checkbox"/> Positive		IGA	162-1 THOMPSON
		THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262 THOMPSON
<p>Informant advised that [redacted] gets his line from [redacted] and that [redacted] gets his line from [redacted]. He stated that [redacted] A bets for [redacted].</p> <p>He advised that RIZZO was coming into town tonight to meet with BUSTER BALESTRERE and STEVE DE SALVO. Informant advised [redacted] gets the line every morning, but informant doesn't know where he is getting it. He advised that all of the other bookies then get the line from [redacted]. He stated that "the office" is still operating on a very limited basis and added that they only kept some of their larger customers.</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.			
Personal Data		Rating	Excellent
		Coverage	Gambling
		92-262-98	
1-165-46	1-162-13	1-165-12	<div>SEARCHED INDEXED SERIALIZED FILED JAN 8 1963 FBI - MILWAUKEE Thompson</div>
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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 1/8/63

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		12/28/62
T1	[redacted]	ITWI (C)165-11 [redacted]
	[redacted]	ICA-WS 162-2 [redacted]
	CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
	ICA	162-1 THOMPSON
	THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative		
<input type="checkbox"/> Positive		
Informant advised that [redacted] are still booking out of [redacted] residence and that [redacted] has some connection where he eats his own line. Informant advised, however, that [redacted]		
[redacted]		
Informant advised that he heard that the John Doe proceedings would fold shortly inasmuch as they have nothing on anyone. He advised that he has heard of no shake downs with regard to juke boxes and liquor. He advised that from time to time he hears of hot liquor coming to the city but again he has no first-hand knowledge of it. He stated that when [redacted]		
[redacted]		
He advised that so far as he knows the only illegal activity with regard to liquor by some of the tavern keepers is that they are putting cheap whiskey into bottles containing the labels of higher priced whiskey. Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.		
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		Coverage Gambling
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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, CHICAGO
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)
SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION
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On 1/7/63 ANTHONY J. BIERNAT, born 1916, 5'11", 210 pounds, was accosted by three or four men in the North Shore Depot in Kenosha, Wisconsin at 10:10 p.m. He has not been seen since. His bloodstained coat and several personal articles of apparel were found at the scene. The Subjects are variously alleged to have left with him after a severe struggle in a light colored, late model Ford or possibly a Pontiac.

BIERNAT, who had a juke box route in Kenosha, is not known to have been hoodlum connected but in November, 1962, according to information BIERNAT gave to several of his associates, he was contacted by JOE GUERRA and STEVE DE SALVO and [redacted] all of whom are hoodlums connected with the syndicate in Milwaukee. They pressured him to take over his juke box route. This followed considerable informant information indicating that the mob in Milwaukee was putting muscle on gamblers' taverns and was planning to expand into the juke box business in Kenosha. Also it followed a variety of informant reports that they planned to hit somebody in Milwaukee to enforce their demands. [redacted]

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It is requested that you contact your informants, particularly those acquainted with Chicago-Milwaukee connections, and Kansas City-Milwaukee connections. Immediately

- 2 - Chicago (Regular Mail)
- 2 - Kansas City (AM)
- 3 - Milwaukee (1 - 92-262)
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by BERNAT prior to his disappearance that [redacted]

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He said that [redacted] on [redacted] acknowledged both conversations but denied the contents of the conversations as stated.

furnish any information possibly significant to this matter. It is also requested that you furnish photographs and descriptions of any possible hit men. It is not feasible to furnish descriptions as there are no adequate descriptions of the actual assailants who have been variously described as men in their early 20's to middle-aged men and a variety of sizes have been furnished.

It is specifically requested that you furnish photographs of the following who are understood to be Chicago hit men:



FRANK BUCCHERI (if different than FIFI) and any others.

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Kansas City is requested to furnish photos of any possible hit men, particularly those who might be connected with JOE GUERRA.

[redacted] furnished [redacted] and in addition furnished the following information which should be handled with care inasmuch as [redacted] identity should not be compromised:

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[redacted] said that he had received information secondhand from one of [redacted] that [redacted] had been [redacted] Also that [redacted] had been tied up years ago with the Chicago mob including [redacted]

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Independent of the above [redacted] said that years ago [redacted] in Chicago and that he knew of his own knowledge that [redacted] had formerly been [redacted] Illinois.

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Additionally [redacted] had [redacted] at the [redacted] on the allegation that [redacted]

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TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 1/16/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact

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Titles and File #s on which contacted

<u>IGA-Gambling in National Sports</u>	<u>162-68</u>
<u>IGA</u>	<u>162-1 THOMPSON</u>
<u>CIP</u>	<u>92-145 THOMPSON</u>
<u>THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION</u>	<u>92-262 THOMPSON</u>

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE

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Informant advised that there has been a great deal of talk among the bookies concerning some of the pro football games and possible fixes but that there is no definite proof of this nor are there any rumors, if there are any fixes, who is contacting what players. He said that it is pretty generally known that [redacted] of the Green Bay Packers whenever possible attended the horse races at the race tracks in Chicago, Ill., and was seen with some of the top hoodlums of the Chicago outfit. He pointed out that [redacted] association with these individuals may be perfectly innocent but that it looks rather bad at times for him to be seen with top hoodlums or men who are known as top bookies and gamblers. He said that he recalled that the Green Bay--Detroit game played in Detroit on Thanksgiving Day was taken off the boards by the local bookies

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

Rating

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because of the way the betting was going. He pointed out that when the "smart money" starts being bet all on one team, the bookies get scared and pull the name off of the boards, taking no more bets. He said in this particular game Green Bay was favored by a few points and that there was very heavy betting, all of the money being placed on Detroit. Informant said that he heard no rumors as to any possible fix and that it may possibly have been because of injuries to Green Bay players or because the gamblers felt that they were tired from too many games.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 1/16/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact

1/11/63 by SAs GASSAWAY and [redacted]

Titles and File #s on which contacted

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AR

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STEVE DE SALVO, AR

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92-262 THOMPSON

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE

☐ POSITIVE

Informant advised that [redacted] is now in Florida and that during the past week he has heard a great deal of talk concerning [redacted] having made statements that he was going to "straighten out" the outfit when he came back from Florida in regards to pay offs from gamblers. He said that the talk around town is that [redacted] is very liable to be "hit" when he comes back. Informant believes that he is definitely in line for this.

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

Rating

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TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

DATE: 1/16/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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1/11/63 by SAs GASSAWAY and [redacted]		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
JOSEPH FRANK GUREA, AR	92-257	[redacted]
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262	THOMPSON
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE		
<input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
Informant displayed [redacted]		
[redacted] He pointed out that when he saw		
that at that time [redacted]		
[redacted] He stated that this was the result.		
Examination of [redacted]		
[redacted] He has made [redacted]		
[redacted]		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent	Coverage Gambling
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Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [REDACTED]

DATE: 1/16/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Dates of Contact		1/11/63 by SAs GASSAWAY and [REDACTED]	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
CRIME CONDITIONS IN WISCONSIN	92-255	THOMPSON	
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON	
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON	
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262	THOMPSON	
Purpose and results of contact			
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Informant advised that [REDACTED] believes he is obtaining information [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED] [REDACTED]			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage	
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Memorandum

TO : SAC **Milwaukee** [redacted]

DATE: **1/16/63**

FROM : SA **JOHN H. GASSAWAY**

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact		1/13/63 by SA GASSAWAY	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
[redacted]	aka; [redacted]	ITWP	166-1 THOMPSON
CIP			92-145 THOMPSON
IGA			162-1 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION			92-262 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact			
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE			
<p>Informant advised that [redacted] is actively booking at the present time under the name [redacted] and the phone number is [redacted]. He believes that [redacted] is booking by himself and is not associated with [redacted] in this.</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage	
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Memorandum

TO : SAC **Milwaukee**

FROM : SA **JOHN H. GASSAWAY**

SUBJECT:

DATE: **1/16/63**

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Dates of Contact		1/11/63 and 1/13/63 by SAs GASSAWAY and KNICKREHM	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
ANTHONY BIERNAT, aka MISSING PERSON		79-56	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 100px;"></div>
FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, AR		94-316	
JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AR		92-257	
STEVE JOHN DE SALVO, AR		92-165	
JOHN CHARLES RIZZO, AR		92-164	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 100px;"></div>
<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 1.2em;"></div> IGA-WS		162-49	
Purpose and results of contact			
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative	THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262	THOMPSON
<input type="checkbox"/> Positive	IGA	162-1	THOMPSON
	CIP	92-145	THOMPSON
<p>On 1/11/63, informant was questioned concerning the possible killing or kidnapping of ANTHONY BIERNAT at Kenosha on the night of 1/7/63 and was questioned as to his whereabouts at the time. Informant stated that he did not know ANTHONY BIERNAT and had never seen the individual. When informant was told that BIERNAT was in the jukebox business at Kenosha, informant stated that it was very possible that BIERNAT was treading on toes or FRANK BALISTRIERI's, as both of them are in the jukebox business. He pointed out that is also a partner of JOHNNY RIZZO in the latter's crap game in Kenosha, that FRANK BALISTRIERI has an interest in this game and also may very possibly have an interest in business. Informant said that it is very possible that BIERNAT may have been "hit"</p>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.			
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by the Milwaukee outfit, or they may not have killed him but may be holding him in some farm house or other out-of-the-way place until BIERNAT agrees to whatever demands they might make to get a cut in his jukebox business. Informant pointed out that on the previous Friday, January 4, he had advised that [redacted]

[redacted] He said that this is very possibly an outgrowth of this deal. He had also advised on the previous Friday, 1/4/68, that RIZZO, his partner BILL COVILLI, and "AL," who works at RIZZO's crap game in Kenosha, had come to Milwaukee and met SYLVE DE SALVO and JOE GURERA supposedly to obtain a new bank roll, but it may have very possibly had something to do with ANTHONY BIERNAT. Informant also pointed out that on 1/4/68 he furnished information that JOE GURERA [redacted]

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He said that this might have some connection with the BIERNAT case.

In regards to his own activities, on 1/7/68, informant, after thinking the matter over carefully and reviewing his activities during the week, said that on the night of 1/7/68, around 5:30 PM. that [redacted]

[redacted] informant said that he [redacted]

[redacted] He also advised that [redacted] of the [redacted]

[redacted] He advised that [redacted] and other [redacted]

[redacted] and that the last he saw of them was around eleven PM. He [redacted]

[redacted] Informant stated that he is absolutely certain that this occurred on the night of 1/7/68, and he knows that the [redacted]

[redacted] Informant stated he definitely was not in Kenosha on Monday night and that he did not hear [redacted]

[redacted] He advised that if he can obtain any information he will immediately notify this office.

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On 1/13/63, informant telephonically advised that he had learned that JOHNNY RIZZO has a big piece of [redacted] juke-box business and also owns a big piece of a jukebox business in Racine, Wisconsin. He said that on [redacted]

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Informant then remarked [redacted]

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Informant said that there has been no discussion among the hoodlums in Milwaukee concerning the ANTHONY BIRNAT case. He was questioned as to whether or not it might possibly have been [redacted] JOE GURERA, who might have pulled the job. He said that he is quite certain that this would not be true as JOE GURERA would not [redacted] into such an affair. He said that JOE has [redacted] working in a legitimate business and is anxious to keep [redacted] clean.

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On 1/13/63, informant also advised that evidently JOHNNY RIZZO and [redacted] are not too concerned over the BIRNAT incident as they ran their crap game at Kenosha as usual on Friday night, January 11.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)

DATE: 1/14/63

FROM : SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (92-549) (RUC)

C. H. [signature]

SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION"
ETAL
AR - CONSPIRACY

Re Milwaukee airtel to Chicago, 11/21/62.

A review of files of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles on 11/24/62 by IC [redacted] revealed 1962 Indiana license LN 7254 is registered to S and W Leasing Company, 411 Pine Street, Michigan City, Indiana.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Michigan City, Indiana:

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Attempts were made to locate [redacted] on 11/30 and 12/3/62.

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On 12/13/62, [redacted] advised their S and W Leasing Company has a 1962 gray Pontiac bearing 1962 Indiana License Number LN 7254 leased to Gerwin Industries, Michigan City, Indiana. He said the car is driven by [redacted] who operates out of [redacted] Grand Beach, Michigan.

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[redacted], Michigan City Credit Bureau advised on December 17, 1962, [redacted] resides at [redacted] Michigan City, and is a [redacted]

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He has been in file since 1956 and his credit record is satisfactory. [redacted] On 5/4/56, the following information appeared in "The New Dispatch," Michigan City, Indiana:

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"The Thermo-Base Division of Gerwin Industries, Inc. manufacturer of Thermo-Base extended baseboard air distributors, announce the appointment of DAN LYNCH as Vice President.

"LYNCH will assist in the expanded sales promotion program of Thermo-Base.

"LYNCH brings to the Thermo-Base Division a broad background of sales and sales promotion experience.

"He is a graduate of Ohio State University, a WW II veteran with the 8th Air Force and has 12 years of experience as manager of the educational department of Norris Industries in Columbus, Ohio.

"LYNCH formerly was a manufacturer's representative at Akron, Ohio, and for the past three years was sales manager for Windmaster Draft Controls in Columbus."

On 12/17/62. [redacted]

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He stated he did not think [redacted] would be involved in any type of criminal activity. ARNOLD said [redacted] often travels to Milwaukee in connection with his business with [redacted]. He said he knew no one connected with [redacted] by the name of [redacted]. He advised [redacted] is in his early [redacted] and has dark hair, balding.

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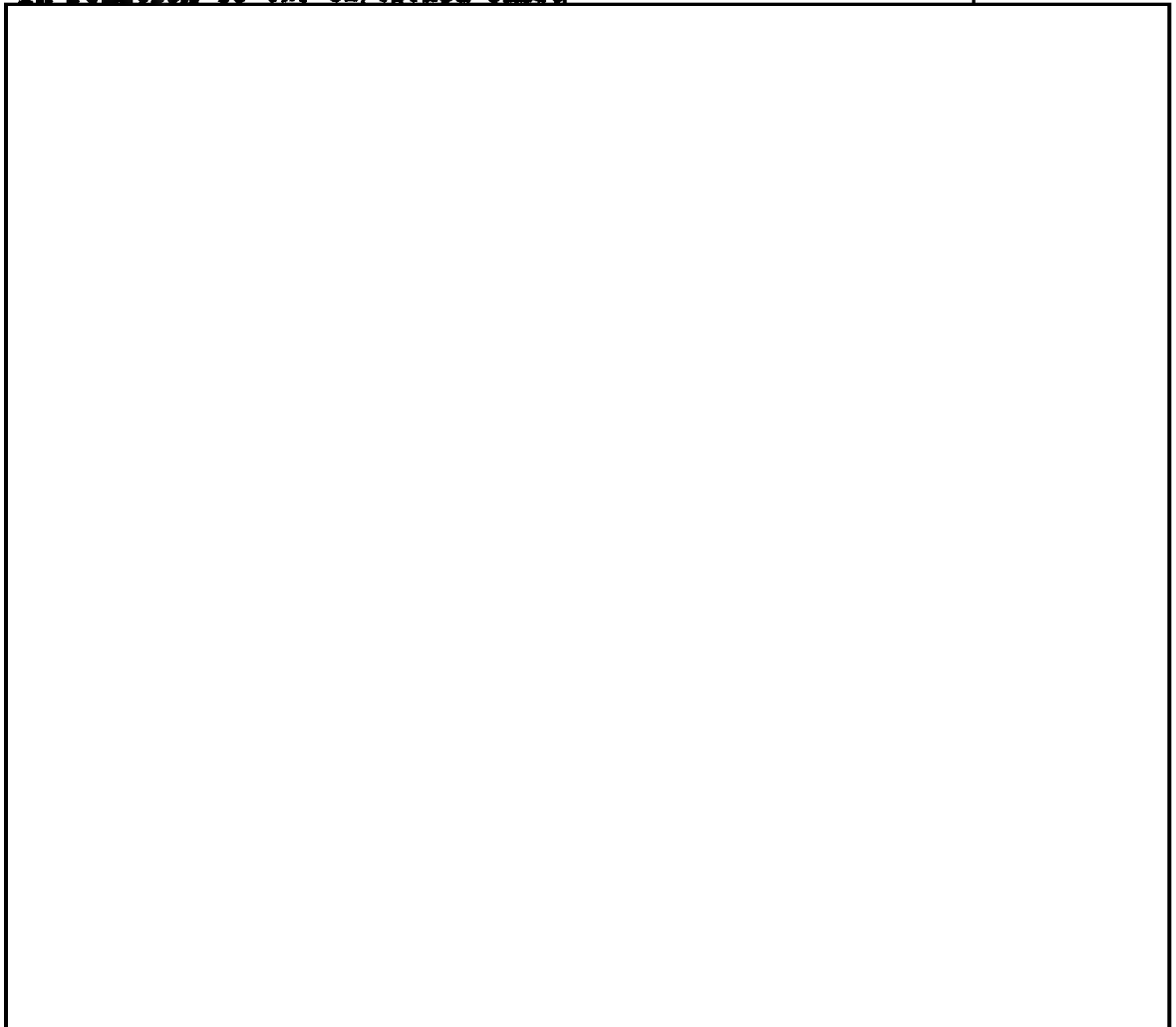
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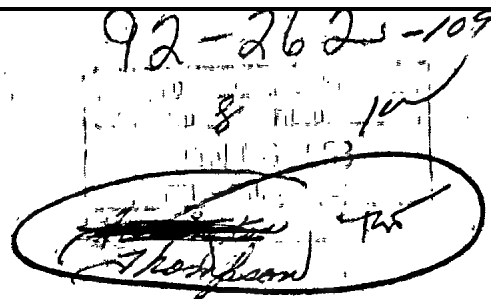
ANTHONY J. BIERMAT, aka
MISSING PERSON

In relation to the captioned case.



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ANTHONY J. BIERNAT, aka
MISSING PERSON

On 1/10/63 at 7:30PM personal contact was made with [REDACTED] ANTHONY J. BIERNAT, residing at [REDACTED]. She advised that [REDACTED] is owner and operator of the Lakeside Music Co., 5011 7th Ave., Kenosha, which business is principally engaged in the operation of juke music boxes in the Kenosha, Wis., area though a contract is had for placement of some 18-20 juke boxes located on the Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Illinois. She also advised that one [REDACTED] Lakeside Novelty Co., 5111 7th Ave., is associated with [REDACTED] in placing of some pin-ball machines at Great Lakes, Ill.

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[REDACTED] said that also employed by [REDACTED] in this business. [REDACTED] stated that ANTHONY J. was born 4/4/16 at Chicago, Illinois, and that his mother, Mrs. MARY BIERNAT, resides [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois, but that all information relating to ANTHONY'S disappearance is being kept from the mother because of her age and health. In addition, [REDACTED] has two other sisters: [REDACTED] Chicago; and, [REDACTED] Chicago. The [REDACTED] and ROBERT, aka [REDACTED] at home at [REDACTED] a widowed brother, [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED], and is employed at [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] to her knowledge, has never been fingerprinted as he did not serve on the Armed Forces of the U.S. and did not work in a National Defense plant in WW II; nor, has he ever been arrested.

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In regards to Monday, January 7, 1963, Mr. BIERNAT came home at about 4:30PM where he read the paper and had dinner and left in the Invicta Hardtop between 6:30PM and 6:45PM to go to the Office at 5011 7th Ave. He had not discussed what he had done earlier that afternoon nor what his specific plans were for the evening except to meet with [REDACTED] at the Lakeside Co. Office.

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[REDACTED] stated that she did not know of any enemies that [REDACTED] had and he at no time ever indicated at home that he was under pressure from anyone in respect to his juke box business. She added [REDACTED] lived a normal middle-class American way of life participating in their Church and school activities and the presentation of [REDACTED] by the press as a juke box king with associations with gamblers and hoodlums was ridiculous and untrue.

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[REDACTED] was furnished the writer's home and business telephone numbers and promised to immediately contact this agent in event any suspicious
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contacts were made to her residence by any means. She was also advised the FBI was closely observing developments in respect to [REDACTED] disappearance and that she can greatly assist law enforcement in this matter by being alert to any unusual circumstance coming to her attention, or recalled by her and immediately notify local authorities and the FBI.

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ANTHONY BIERNAT
MISSING PERSON

On 1/18/63 [REDACTED]

(NA), [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] furnished the
following information:

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During the course of the conversation, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] noted that [REDACTED] a [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

Milwaukee

DATE: 12/21/62

FROM : SA

JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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TONY PETROLLE; TOM MACHI ITWI	165-45	THOMPSON
JOE GURERA, AR	92-257	
STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165	
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON
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Purpose and results of contact		
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<p>Informant was questioned as to whether or not TOMMY MACHI and [redacted] were ever in partnership and whether or not they ever operated from 225 E. Detroit Street, Milwaukee, in their booking operations. Informant stated that [redacted] and TOMMY MACHI were partners in the booking business for several months in 1961, booking up until about November of 1961. He said that they operated some place on the lower east side and it may very possibly have been at 225 E. Detroit, which is in close proximity to the Riviera, which MACHI's brother, TONY PETROLLE, runs. He pointed out that MACHI and his brother are now in partnership in this business and said that they obtain their daily line from [redacted] who in turn obtains it from his [redacted] who operates "the office." He advised</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
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that they book from three different locations and phone numbers--from TOMMY MACHI's home, 1938 No. Oakland, phones Broadway 3-6660 and BR 2-0691; also from TONY PETROLLE's home at 5553 W. Jackson Park Drive, phone LI 1-6821; and from [redacted] telephone number [redacted]

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In regards to a [redacted] who was known to be acquainted with TOM MACHI, informant stated that [redacted] is definitely MACHI [redacted] that they [redacted] for a period of time but are [redacted] and MACHI just bought her a [redacted] Informant further advised that there is no particular relationship between MACHI's brother, TONY PETROLLE, and "the office" except that they lay off bets with "the office," obtain the line through [redacted] which is furnished by "the office." [redacted]
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In regards to a [redacted] who is known to be an associate of TOM MACHI, informant advised that [redacted] Garland Cleaners at 920 East JunEAU Ave., Broadway 2-3659, and books out of this establishment, using the above phone number. He said that [redacted] lays off a great many bets with TOM MACHI and his brother, TONY PETROLLE.

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Informant also advised that [redacted] has no booking connections with MACHI or PETROLLE at the present time. He stated [redacted] has headquarters at the Elks Club in Milwaukee but is booking out of the Jennaro Trucking Co. at 13th Street and Layton Blvd., Milwaukee, and that he is quite sure it is done out of Room #5 at that place.

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He also said that he does not believe that [redacted] is still an agent for TOMMY MACHI and TONY PETROLLE. He said that TOM MACHI runs a great many Jewish stag crap games in the Milwaukee area and makes a large sum of money out of these operations as the Jewish boys are usually rather poor gamblers in that they do not know too much about what they are doing, and MACHI benefits financially to a great extent.

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Informant was questioned as to TOMMY MACHI's relationship to the Chicago syndicate and why MACHI was in contact with [redacted] the Chicago syndicate strong-arm man killer in the early part of 1962. Informant stated that TOMMY MACHI is a very close friend of "MILWAUKEE PHIL" ALDERISIO and

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also of other members of the Chicago syndicate who are powerful there. He said that in the first part of 1962, as he had informed previously, [REDACTED]

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Memorandum

TO : SAC **Milwaukee** [redacted]

DATE: **1/25/63**

FROM : SA **JOHN H. GABANAY**

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact

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ANTHONY J. BIERNAT, SR MISSING PERSON

79-56 [redacted]

JOE GUERRA, AR

92-257 [redacted]

STEVE DE SALVO

92-165 [redacted]

JOHN CHARLES RIZZO

92-164 [redacted]

FRANK PETER BALISTRERI, AR

94-316 [redacted]

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92-145 THOMPSON

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE

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Informant said that there has been no talk whatsoever concerning the disappearance of BIERNAT, and he has no concrete information as to the possible identity of any suspect. He said that he does recall that not too long ago [redacted]

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[redacted] although he does NOT KNOW.

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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He said that STEVE DE SALVO, JOE GURERA and BUSTER BALESTREKE are going around Milwaukee very little these days [REDACTED]

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Informant said that he noted in the paper that [REDACTED] in Milwaukee, made a statement that he had never been approached for a "pay off." Informant said that this is not true as he knows that [REDACTED] has been approached by the outfit. He does not know whether it was JOE GURERA, STEVE DE SALVO or BUSTER BALESTREKE, or maybe all of them that approached [REDACTED] but he does know that he was approached.

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Informant said that AMERICO DE PIETTO could be a pretty good suspect in the BIERHAT case as he has been around the Kenosha area from time to time; in fact, worked there at one time and probably has visited there since he has lived in Chicago after being released from Wisc. State Prison. He said that DE PIETTO [REDACTED]

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Informant also pointed out that BENNY DE SALVO, who came to Milwaukee from New York City a couple of months ago and stayed in Milwaukee for several weeks, disappeared from this town around the time of the disappearance of BIERHAT, and it is possible that he may have had something to do with it. Informant said, as he had previously advised, DE SALVO is known as a strong-arm man and had stayed out of Milwaukee for approximately ten years after being told by the outfit to get out of this town.

Informant stated that when TONY PASTER was killed, around a year ago in Minneapolis, he owned one of the biggest jukebox distributorships and coin operations in Wisconsin. He said that the rumor is that after PASTER's death the Chicago outfit took over his operations and called it the Jordan Sales Company, which is located at Menomonie Falls, Wisconsin. He said that the Menomonie Falls Credit Corporation and the Jordan Sales Company are one and the same.

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This company distributes pinball machines, jukeboxes, etc., throughout Wisconsin. Informant advised that if the Milwaukee outfit is successful in taking over jukebox coin machine concessions and the like in Wisconsin that

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Informant advised that he understands that RIZZO has said that he is going to have his crap game open in Kenosha tonight.

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this with gray hair and wears glasses. He does not know his last name but will endeavor to ascertain it.

Informant also advised that [redacted]

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Informant advised that JOE GURERA, STEVE DE SALVO and BUSTER BALESTRERE have been staying home the majority of the time for the past ten days [redacted]

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In regards to BENEDETTA DE SALVO, informant said that he has not seen this individual in Milwaukee for at least two weeks. He believes that he disappeared approximately a week before the disappearance of ANTHONY BIERKAT.

Informant also said that JOHN RIZZO and [redacted] have been in the jukebox business for several years and that they also have a piece of an import and export business with an individual by the last name of [redacted]

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Memorandum

TO : SAC **Milwaukee**

FROM : SA **JOHN H. CASSAWAY**

SUBJECT:

DATE: **1/25/63**

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<u>JOHN CHARLES RIZZO, AR</u>	92-164
<u> IGA-NS</u>	182-49
<u>JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AR</u>	92-257
<u>STEVE DE SALVO, AR</u>	92-145
<u>FRANK PETER BALISTRERI, AR</u>	94-316
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	92-262 THOMPSON

Informant advised that he has heard nothing more on the disappearance of ANTHONY BERNAT that is really concrete. He said that he has heard the rumors that the outfit in Milwaukee wanted to take over BERNAT's jukebox business and that they are planning to take over everything in Kenosha and Racine.

In regards to an "AL" who came to Milwaukee with JOHNNY RIZZO and a couple of weeks ago and had a conference with STEVE DE SALVO and JOE GURERA, informant said that AL works for RIZZO in the latter's crap game in Kenosha, is an Italian around 60 years of age, tall and

<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent	Coverage Gambling
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Memorandum

TO : SAC **Milwaukee** [redacted]

FROM : SA **RICHARD C. THOMPSON**

SUBJECT: [redacted]

DATE: **1/29/63**

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ANTHONY JOSEPH BIERNAT, MISSING PERSON	79-56 [redacted]
FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, AR	94-316 [redacted]
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, AR	92-262 THOMPSON
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<p>Informant said that he had no personal knowledge of the BIERNAT case but made the following observations based on his own estimate of the situation:</p> <p>BIERNAT was the victim of a gang-type attack in a robbery. Since he has been missing so long he is dead. His body may be buried in some abandoned house--at least that would be a good place to look. It is the fashion today, in gang murders, to have the body disappear. Although nothing is known about "muscle" in the jukebox business in Kenosha, PCI suspects that that lies at the bottom of the trouble. A logical suspect would be JOE GURERA, who PCI feels is capable to doing the job. JOHNNY RIZZO, who runs gambling in Kenosha in cooperation with FRANK BALISTRIERI (at least FRANK owns part of the game), is not a killer. Informant doesn't believe that [redacted] is a</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Good
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[redacted]
killer. [redacted] is capable of the job. [redacted]
is working for FRANK BALISTRIERI because FRANK likes him.
There's nothing phony about this relationship (such as
befriending [redacted] in order to eventually get rid of him
through a "hit.")

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The car used in the abduction would not be one belonging to
the killers and would be disposed of immediately.

Informant said that he would inquire and attempt to find out
something more specific about BERNAT's disappearance.

Informant identified a photo of JOHN MOLLE and said he was
a big man in the outfit in Kansas City. He said he was
here a couple of times last summer. Informant also
identified a photo of ANTHONY MANGIARACINA of Kansas City,
stating that he was seen once in Milwaukee last summer.

Informant said that FRANK BALISTRIERI had [redacted]

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[redacted]
he had never heard of [redacted]
could they tell him about [redacted]

Informant said
He said "what

*Also said FRANK BALISTRIERI was undoubtedly
head of the local hoodlum group - all info to
contrary notwithstanding.*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: 1/28/63

FROM : ✓ Director, FBI

SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION," ET AL.
ANTI-RACKETEERING - CONSPIRACY

In reviewing considerable data furnished to date in connection with our investigation of "Causa Nostra," the Department has evidenced intense interest in this organization and in the further development of its membership. In keeping with our purpose of attempting to develop the conspiracy aspects of this organization and to furnish the Department with the specific data they desire on the membership thereof, it is now necessary to prepare separate reports on members of this organization identified to date who have not previously been the subjects of Anti-Racketeering cases under the Criminal Intelligence Program, with reports furnished to the Department.

All offices receiving this letter should begin the preparation of Anti-Racketeering reports under the Criminal Intelligence Program on members of "Causa Nostra" identified to date on whom separate investigative reports have not previously been submitted under this program. These reports should include information from your files, from informants, and sufficient public source information to establish adequate background information on each subject. Each report should specifically set forth source material identifying the subject as a member of "Causa Nostra," "family" affiliation, position within the "family," and known activities within this organization. The administrative section of each report is to include your recommendation regarding continuing each investigation. Continued

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Re: The Criminal "Commission," Et Al.

active investigation should be recommended unless you can point out substantial reasons why the case should be placed in a closed status.

These reports are to be submitted within 45 days from the date of this communication. In situations in which a member has been identified to date only by alias or partial name, you are to develop positive identity and, thereafter, submit a report as you will do on members whose identities have been established.

It is noted that some offices have sources capable of establishing the leadership of this organization in a given locale, but do not as yet have sufficiently well-placed sources to furnish required data on the identity of all members. Some of these offices in the past have identified leaders and, thereafter, have listed a number of hoodlums who, from a particular office's experience in the racket element, they consider as subordinates under these leaders. For the purpose of this project, reports are to be prepared only on those individuals who have been named by sources as members of this organization. Reports are not to be prepared on hoodlums whom an office may believe to be members merely because of association with, or employment by organization leaders. We have learned from member-sources who have been developed to date that a large number of Italian racket figures who may have a close association of many years standing with leaders of this organization are not necessarily members. Therefore, we must continue to base our criteria for membership on identifications made by sources in a position to know if a particular hoodlum is, or is not, a member.

Each office is to carefully examine your investigation of this organization to date to determine those members on whom reports will be submitted in this project and list these subjects in a letter to reach the Bureau seven days from the date of this communication. If, after careful consideration of data developed to date, an office determines that they have no members in the above category, that is, identified members on whom individual investigative reports have not previously been submitted to the Department, they are to so state in this letter.

Letter to New York
Re: The Criminal "Commission," Et Al.

It will be the responsibility of each office to assign adequate man power to this matter in order that we continue to discharge our major responsibilities in the drive against organized crime and to continue to furnish the Department with the pertinent data required in this program.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee

DATE: 1/28/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

☒ CI

☐ SI

☐ PCI

☐ PSI

SUBJECT:

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Dates of Contact		1/18/63
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
VERNON HILLS COUNTRY CLUB; Gambling Club	165-18	
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
<p>Informant said that [redacted] is still operating the club at its new location but that he doesn't want anyone coming down from Milwaukee except [redacted] who are steady and regular customers of [redacted] and have been for years.</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	Excellent	Gambling
Personal Data		92-262-117 W gmk Thompson

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1-165-18
1-162-1
JHG:SA
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1-92-145
1-92-262

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC MILWAUKEE [REDACTED]

DATE: 1/28/63

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

☒ CI ☐ SI

☐ PCI ☐ PSI

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Dates of Contact

1/18/63

Titles and File #s on which contacted

[REDACTED] AR	92-246 [REDACTED]
IGA - Gambling in National Sports b6	162-68
IGA b7C	162-1 THOMPSON
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262 THOMPSON

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☐ POSITIVE

Informant said that there are, of course, a great many rumors among the bookies concerning [REDACTED]. He said that according to one rumor two Louisville gamblers were supposed to have "gotten to" [REDACTED] through some pretty blonde he was going with in Louisville. He also said that [REDACTED] has been in Machi's Tavern in Cicero, Ill., on many occasions and that [REDACTED] also when he goes to the horse races in Ill. hangs around a tavern in Cicero, which used to go by the name of "Over the Hump" and may still go by that name, but informant is not certain.

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

Rating

Excellent

Coverage

Gambling

Personal Data

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1-162-1

JHG:bs
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC **Milwaukee**

DATE: **1/28/63**

FROM : SA **JOHN H. GASSAWAY**

☒ CI ☐ SI

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SUBJECT:

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Dates of Contact		1/18/63
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
EARL LOUIS APPELT; MILO LALICH, ITWI	165-73	
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
<p>Informant advised that these individuals are still booking on West Wells Street and that they have an office in a building on West Wells near 4th. He said that they obtain their line daily from and that they are still paying off the outfit weekly for the right to operate the book.</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	Excellent	Gambling
Personal Data		

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1-165-73
JHG:bs
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1-92-145
1-162-1
1-92-262

W gmk

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92-262-119

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 1/30/63

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

☐ CI ☐ SI

☒ PCI ☐ PSI

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Dates of Contact

1/23/63

Titles and File #s on which contacted

VERNON HILLS COUNTRY CLUB, ITWI

165-18

THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION

92-262 THOMPSON

CRIME CONDITIONS IN WISCONSIN - KENOSHA

92-255

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE

☐ POSITIVE

Informant said he was unable to locate [REDACTED]

He said that [REDACTED] on a weekday night he, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had gone down to the Old Homestead to gamble. They were turned away

There was, however, a taxicab there and another apparent patron unknown to informant who suggested that they could

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

Rating

Good

Coverage

Gambling

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1 - 92-262
1 - 92-255
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92-262-120

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[redacted]
get in the game at Kenosha. Informant doesn't know if these people were connected with the Homestead or not but the person in the cab [redacted]

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[redacted] Informant then went to the front door of 2207 which is a darkened street and were admitted. Informant said that this was strictly a cash game and the action, therefore, was much faster than it had been at the Homestead. He estimates that there were at least fifty people crowded around the crap table which had five men working it and had a 100 limit. He said that they had stacks of bills in bank type wrappers as high as the sideboards on the table about 8 or 10 inches. In addition, there were poker and blackjack games going and PCI said there apparently were 9 employees of the place but he did not catch the first name of any of them. He said he did not see anyone that he knew from Milwaukee or from the Homestead. Informant said that he would be willing to finger this place for a raid but would want to be out of it before the raid took place.

He said that apparently [redacted]
[redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

Milwaukee

DATE: 1/28/63

FROM : SA

JOHN H. GASSAWAY

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Dates of Contact		1/18/63
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
<u>ITWI</u>	165-12	
<u>CRIME CONDITIONS IN WISCONSIN</u>	92-255	THOMPSON
<u>AR</u>	92-258	
<u>CIP</u>	92-145	THOMPSON
<u>IGA</u>	162-1	THOMPSON
<u>THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION</u>	92-262	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE		
<input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
Informant advised that an individual by the first name of [redacted] is handling [redacted] book now. He further advised that when [redacted]		
[redacted] Informant said that if [redacted] he may very possibly get hit when he does return to Milwaukee.		
Informant advised that [redacted]		
[redacted] He also advised that [redacted] is definitely getting information from [redacted]		
[redacted]		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	Excellent	Gambling
Personal Data		

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1-165-12 1-92-255 1-92-258
1-162-1 1-92-145 1-92-262
JHG:bs
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC **Milwaukee** [redacted]

FROM : SA **JOHN H. GASSAWAY**

SUBJECT: [redacted]

DATE: **1/28/63**

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Dates of Contact		1/18/63
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
[redacted] IGA	162-13	[redacted]
CIP	92-145	THOMPSON
IGA	162-1	THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION	92-262	THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
<p>Upon being shown a photograph of [redacted] informant said that this is the individual that he knows as [redacted] and who is a close friend of [redacted]. Informant had previously furnished information that [redacted] and [redacted].</p> <p>[redacted] He advised that [redacted] lives with [redacted] at about [redacted] in Milwaukee, and that [redacted] photograph is available at the PD as he was sent up from Milwaukee to Wisc. State Prison, Waupun, and is presently on parole from that institution. He advised that [redacted] and [redacted].</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>Informant said that he understands that there are going to be a great many horse race fixes at Fairgrounds and Tropical Park this season.</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	Excellent	Gambling
Personal Data		92-262-122 W gmk Thompson

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1-162-13 1-92-262
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[REDACTED]

In regards to the Driftwood tavern being burglarized several nights ago and the large quantity of money stolen, informant said that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Informant advised that the Milwaukee PD Vice Squad closed up the poker and crap game that was operating for a short period of time on East Ogden Avenue and was attended by some American Cab Company drivers. He also said that there is a big poker game going at the present time at the Belmont Hotel, which is operated by some Greek boys.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC Milwaukee [redacted]

FROM : SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY

SUBJECT: [redacted]

DATE: 1/28/63

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Dates of Contact		1/18/63
Titles and File #s on which contacted		[redacted]
[redacted]		165-43
IGA		162-1 THOMPSON
CIP		92-145 THOMPSON
THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION		92-262 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
<p>Informant advised that [redacted] are not presently operating a crap game as there is too much "heat" on it. He said that [redacted] now has a book with a partner by the first name of [redacted] and they are operating out of the B&J Smoke Shop, which is located around 14th and Wells Street.</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	Excellent	Gambling
Personal Data		

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1-162-1
1-92-262

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: 1/28/63

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)

SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, ET AL
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Attached is a copy of an FD-302 reflecting the

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2 - New York (Enc. 1)
2 - Miami (Enc. 1)
⑥ - Milwaukee (5) - 92-262)
(1 - 92-228)

Milwaukee will conduct identical information at Racine, Port Washington, Baraboo, and Horicon. Wisconsin relative to [REDACTED]

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(22) *lmp*

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Optional Form No. 10
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, CHICAGO

DATE: 1/28/63

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)

SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, ET AL
AR

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Attached is a copy of an FD-302 reflecting the [redacted] and it is requested that each office receiving a copy of this letter and 302 determine the [redacted] in their territory and furnish the Milwaukee Office with [redacted] and any information indicating that [redacted] is engaged in hoodlum activities as contrasted to legitimate business which the Para Corporation is engaged in.

- 2 - Chicago (Enc. 1) Milwaukee will conduct identical
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2 - Detroit (Enc. 1) Washington, Baraboo, and Horicon.
2 - Kansas City (Enc. 1) Wisconsin relative to [redacted]
2 - Los Angeles (Enc. 1) [redacted]
2 - New Haven (Enc. 1)
2 - New York (Enc. 1)
2 - Miami (Enc. 1)
6 - Milwaukee (5) 92-262)
(1 - 92-228)

JAH/lmp
(22) *imp*

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Racine Lead

To [redacted] *— 24*

my copy of 302

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Optional Form No. 10
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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- 2 - New York (Enc. 1)
- 2 - Miami (Enc. 1)
- 6 - Milwaukee (5) - 92-262
(1 - 92-228)

Milwaukee will conduct identical information at Racine, Port Washington, Baraboo, and Horicon, Wisconsin relative to [redacted]

JAH/lmp
(22) *[signature]*

92-262-124

*Port Washington
Horicon Lead
To Gassaway — [signature]
w/302*

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- 6 - Milwaukee (5) - 92-262
(1 - 92-228)

Milwaukee will conduct identical information at Racine, Port Washington, Baraboo, and Horicon, Wisconsin relative to [redacted]

JAH/lmp
(22) *lmp*

92-262-124

Baraboo Lead
To [redacted]
w/302

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date January 28, 1963The [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] may be obtained by
issuance of a subpoena duces tecum issued to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.b6
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b7DOn 1/16/63 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 92-262by SA [REDACTED] Date dictated 1/22/63b6
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92-262-125

SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-326)

1/29/63

SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-257)

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka.
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Attached hereto are copies of an FD-302 reporting

[REDACTED]

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It is requested that you furnish the Milwaukee
Office with [REDACTED]

and particularly any information
indicating that [REDACTED] are engaged in hoodlum
activities. It is noted that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

- 2 - Kansas City (Enc. 2)
- 3 - Milwaukee (2 - 92-257)
- (1) - 92-262

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(5) *[Signature]*

AT RACINE, WISCONSIN

Similar investigation is requested as to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] which attached 302 reflects [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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SAC, CHICAGO

1/28/63

SAC, MILWAUKEE (79-56)

(P)

ANTHONY J. BIERNAT, aka.
MISSING PERSON

Re Milwaukee airtel to Chicago, 1/15/63, entitled "THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION, AR," which set out information concerning the possible abduction of BIERNAT at Kenosha, Wis.

The Milwaukee Office is now conducting an investigation concerning the possible abduction of BIERNAT, a Kenosha, Wis. jukebox operator, for any evidence of a federal violation and for such criminal intelligence as may be forthcoming. It is suspected variously by numerous people conversant with hoodlum matters that BIERNAT was killed by a hoodlum faction from Milwaukee, Wisconsin and by hoodlums from Illinois. The most logical suspicion lies in the direction of Milwaukee hoodlums JOE GURERA and STEVE DE SALVO, as pointed out in referenced airtel.

For this reason



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2 - Milwaukee (79-56)
(1 - 92-262)

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MI 79-56

For reasons of [redacted] and for any value that such information might have in instant investigation, it is requested that Chicago check its indices [redacted] and thereafter furnish Milwaukee with background and identifying data concerning POWERS and MC NALLY and their background as it pertains to the jukebox business.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

FROM : SA

SUBJECT:



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DATE: 1/30/63

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Dates of Contact

1/23/63

Titles and File #s on which contacted

FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI

94-316

THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION

92-262

THOMPSON

VERNON HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

165-18

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE

☐ POSITIVE

PCI stated that he had recently

He said that he had

Informant explained that
it was virtually impossible to

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

Rating

Good

Coverage

Conf. hoodlum and jewel theft matters

Personal Data

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① - 92-262
1 - 165-18
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[redacted]

[redacted]
[redacted] He described the [redacted] that took care
of [redacted]
[redacted] He said that the [redacted]

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[redacted]
Informant said that he had received no information or indication relative to the disappearance of ANTHONY BIERNAT but would immediately advise this office if he obtained such information.

Informant pointed out that DOMINIC FRINZI [redacted]
[redacted] have a law office on the seventh floor of the Plankinton Building and that there is a parade of hoodlum type individuals to this office at all hours of the day and night.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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FROM : SA

SUBJECT:

PCI

DATE: 1/30/63

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Dates of Contact

1/23/63

Titles and File #s on which contacted

FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, aka., AR

94-316

JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, aka., AR

92-257

THE CRIMINAL COMMISSION

92-262

THOMPSON

STEVE DE SALVO, AR

92-165

BUSTER BALESTRERE, aka., AR

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE

☐ POSITIVE

Informant advised writer and SA [redacted] as follows:

JOE GURERA returned [redacted]
while informant thinks he was out of town on Monday, January 21.

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Informant also said that [redacted] had returned from Florida on Sunday night.

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BUSTER BALESTRERE is still left pretty much alone [redacted]

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BUSTER apparently does not have a car any more as it is necessary for JOE GURERA, PETE, or [redacted] to take him home.

☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

Rating

Good

Coverage

Confidential hoodlum

Personal Data

1 - 94-316
1 - 92-262
1 - 92-166

1 - 92-257
1 - 92-165

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FBI - MILWAUKEE	

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AUGIE MANIACI stopped by and talked to this latter individual for a short time. After the general conversation FRANK BALISTRIERI and HAROLD KLEIN had a long private conversation and then were joined by [REDACTED] JOE GURERA, and STEVE DE SALVO in what apparently was an additional business type conversation.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] a group of young Italians who were talking with [REDACTED] located at [REDACTED] Informant explained that [REDACTED] four or five other individuals, one of whom is FNU [REDACTED] Informant also had [REDACTED]

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Informant said that the [REDACTED]

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With regard to [REDACTED] informant said that the [REDACTED]

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[Redacted]

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[Redacted]

[Redacted]

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This informant said that.

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Informant said that last week

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[Redacted]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

Milwaukee

DATE: 1/25/63

FROM : SA

JOHN H. CASSAWAY

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☐ PCI

☐ PSI

SUBJECT:

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Dates of Contact		1/18/63	
Titles and File #s on which contacted			
JOSEPH FRANK CURERA, AR		92-257	
FRANK PETER BALESTRIERI, AR		94-316	
STEVE DE SALVO, AR		92-165	
BUSTER BALESTRIERI, AR		92-166	
[REDACTED] ITWI		165-71	
CIP		92-145	THOMPSON
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Informant advised that [REDACTED]			
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[REDACTED] He further advised that on			
one occasion several weeks ago [REDACTED]			
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Informant said that "the office" has now opened their book and that [REDACTED] is obtaining the line daily and JOE ALIOTA is taking care of the phone. He said that the only ones who have the phone number at the present time are better of "the office" and that he does not know the location or the phone number but will have it in the very near future. He said that [REDACTED]			
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between 11:45 AM and 12:30 PM, calling somewhere out of State, and this is the only basketball line obtained from out of State at the present time by Milwaukee bookies. He said that the other bookies are getting their line from the [redacted]. He explained that [redacted] will call one or two of the other bookies and they in turn will relay it to other ones concerned.

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Informant said that [redacted] and STEVE DE SALVO are riding together now and that [redacted] is supposed to go to work at the booking operation of "the office" and help operate it. He said [redacted] is also STEVE DE SALVO and JOE GURERA's right-hand man or muscleman and will do any strong-arm work they tell him to.

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He advised that STEVE DE SALVO, JOE GURERA and BUSTER BALESTRENE now have seven new cleaning places throughout Milwaukee, all of which are called Checker Cleaners. He advised that [redacted] supervises all of the plants and an individual by the first name of [redacted] works at the main cleaning place on South First Street, which was formerly Acme Cleaners. He advised that although STEVE, JOE and BUSTER own these cleaning places, they are not seen around there. He also said that during the past week STEVE DE SALVO and JOE GURERA went to see SAM FERRARA for some reason. Informant pointed out that this is rather unusual as SAM FERRARA is one of the really old men of the outfit who was at one time very powerful but has in the past few years been inactive.

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Informant said that on the night of 1/9/63 there was a meeting held at Fazio's on 5th, which was attended by FRANK BALISTRIERI, STEVE DE SALVO, JOE GURERA, BUSTER BALESTRENE, [redacted] and some other big boys from the Milwaukee area. He said that these individuals were seen in the bar at Fazio's and later went down to the basement for a meeting.

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In regards to a [redacted] of Kenosha, informant stated that he does not know too much about this individual and has seen him hanging around the race track and Sportsman's Bar in Racine more than he has seen him in Kenosha. He said that [redacted] handles hot merchandise, jewelry, and so forth, and that he associates with [redacted] who operates a [redacted] in Racine. He said that [redacted] is a close friend of [redacted] of Milwaukee and will take hot cars. Informant said that there have been no [redacted]

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He said that JOE GURERA and BUSTER BALESTRENE are still looking for adjoining houses that suit them so that they can move and live next door to each other but as yet have no located anything suitable.

In regards to a question as to any suspected stool pigeons or police plants at Gallagher's or the Downtowner, informant said he does not know whether or not anything is suspected



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He also said that they are always



Informant advised that TONY MACHI, who operates ANTONIO's on Green Bay Avenue, a tavern, is broke and about to lose the business. He said that the outfit is presently thinking of taking the tavern over, making it a steak house, and TONY MACHI will be the front man in this operation.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (92-262)

DATE: 1/31/63

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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The following information was obtained from [REDACTED]

The following individuals [REDACTED]

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*See [REDACTED] for similar info.
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ReMilwaukee airtel to Chicago 1/15/63 concerning the
disappearance of ANTHONY J. BIERNAT.

On 1/17/63.

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Chicago is requested to discuss this matter with logical informants to determine whether LLOYD J. PITZER figures in any important way in the hoodlum setup. It is also suggested that inquiry be made of SANDY SMITH regarding this matter to determine the basis for the interest in PITZER. If it appears that investigation should be conducted at Milwaukee concerning Car-T-Air Leasing Co., leads should be set out for Milwaukee to do so.

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2727)
FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (92-158-Sub 2) (P)
SUBJECT: JOHN JOSEPH VITALE, aka
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(OO: ST. LOUIS)

WEEKLY SUMMARY

On 1/17/63 SL 1249-C* provided information regarding a conversation between VINCE BIONDO, St. Louis bondsman, and JOHN VITALE. The St. Louis Office feels that a good share of this conversation related to the Criminal "Commission" and its present operation in St. Louis and other cities, as well as BIONDO's and VITALE's position within the "family." It is noted that this is the first occasion wherein the Criminal "Commission" and VITALE's actual membership therein has been specifically mentioned.

VITALE stated that he was "made" and became a member of the "famiglia" in 1934. BIONDO and VITALE discussed how at the present time the "family" does not mean anything in St. Louis inasmuch as there was very little criminal activity in St. Louis and that the city would probably be dead as far as the "family" is concerned for the next ten years. VITALE and BIONDO indicated that they were both old and that they had no young people who had been trained in the "family" who could take over for them. BIONDO said that in other places, such as Kansas City and in Chicago, Illinois, the "family" had continually, over the years, trained young men to take over as the older ones died or became inactive due to age.

BIONDO further indicated that the individuals associated with the "family" in St. Louis were of no value and

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specifically mentioned the names [redacted] and [redacted] as being in this class. It is noted that previous investigation conducted regarding hoodlum activities in St. Louis indicated that PASQUALE MICELI, [redacted] was the alleged head of the Mafia in St. Louis. PASQUALE MICELI is now deceased. BIONDO stated that the only worthwhile individual still in St. Louis was [redacted] VITALE indicated that other members of the "family" in St. Louis were TONY GIARDANO and TONY LOPIPARO, who is now deceased.

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BIONDO and VITALE stated that the "family" had not helped them in the St. Louis area and that because of VITALE's handling of dope he had ended up going to the penitentiary. BIONDO said that he could not understand why the "family" did not operate in St. Louis inasmuch as it was not a new problem that there were not young men available to carry on; that their grandfathers before them had had the same type problem, but there had always been young men qualified to carry on.

VITALE indicated that at the present time in Italy the "Senate" has passed a lot of new legislation in an effort to eliminate the organization, although there was no way they could stop it.

BIONDO and VITALE reminisced re various illegal activities they had participated in years ago and the circumstances under which they were "made." BIONDO stated that he was "made" at the same time that TONY and JOE GIARDANO were "made." VITALE stated that THOMAS "HIGHWAY" SIMONE (Top Hoodlum of the Kansas City Division) was also a member of the organization, as was "BLACK LOUIE" and JOE GURERA. (It is felt that JOE GURERA is probably identical with JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, Kansas City hoodlum, and "BLACK LOUIE" is possibly identical with "BLACK LOUIS" CANGELOSE of Kansas City.) VITALE, in recalling the circumstances of "BLACK LOUIE's" being "made," stated that JOE GURERA was there at the same time and was mad and couldn't understand why he hadn't been "made" and was being kept out of the conversation with "BLACK LOUIE" when "BLACK LOUIE" was "made." VITALE explained that later "BLACK LOUIE" told him that before GURERA could be "made" he would have to perform a job for the organization. VITALE stated that GURERA subsequently was "made" and that he thought that the job GURERA had to do for the organization was to "knock off the two CHARLIES."

With regard to the "two CHARLIES," it is felt VITALE may have referred to the murder of CHARLES BINAGGIO and one

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of his associates in Kansas City some years ago.

When asked the specific question by BIONDO as to who the "boss" was now, VITALE told BIONDO it was NICK CIVELLA of Kansas City, Missouri, brother of "CORKY" CIVELLA.

St. Louis sources advised on the weekend of January 11, 12, and 13, 1963, that because of illness VITALE did not leave for his intended trip to Kansas City, Mo. /

On 1/14/63 SL 1249-C* advised that VITALE and his associate, [] are involved in a tomato transaction in Pompano, Florida, and that SAM ROTH would probably make another trip to the Tampa and Pompano area in the near future re this transaction.

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SL 1249-C* also stated that VITALE's associates, VINCE BIONDO and [] and possibly [] are trying to get [] present manager, [] to let [] off on that contract so that VITALE and associates can take over. This source also stated that VINCE BIONDO did not trust [] inasmuch as [] had told persons in St. Louis that he was getting help in his career from the "Syndicate."

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SL 1249-C* stated that on 1/15/63 [] VITALE associate, advised VITALE that SA [] was attempting to locate him to talk to him. VITALE instructed [] to call SA [] to find out what he wanted and, if SA [] wanted to discuss [] recent trip to Tampa, Fla., to refuse to discuss the matter.

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On 1/15/63 [] was interviewed in conjunction with an investigation being conducted re one [] of [] Pennsylvania, re phone calls to [] business. During interview [] stated he had been interested in purchasing a cigarette vending machine route that [] had but didn't purchase it after finding it was too expensive. [] denied knowing anything about [] other than this. Subsequent to this interview, SL 1249-C* advised [] immediately contacted VITALE, giving him results of interview and stating that he [] had been asked by [] to try and find a buyer for [] cigarette route inasmuch as [] money.

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On 1/15/63 SL 1249-C* advised that VITALE contacted THOMAS "HIGHWAY" SIMONE, Kansas City hoodlum, advising SIMONE that he would leave St. Louis Friday, 1/18/63, arriving Kansas

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City approximately 11:00 P.M.. accompanied by [redacted]
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On 1/16/63 SL 1249-C* advised that VITALE was in contact with [redacted] who formerly worked for VITALE in the Vitale Cement Company, and discussed their mutual interests in a large shopping center being constructed by [redacted] in St. Louis. Internal Revenue Service advised they are conducting current investigation re tax case against [redacted] and feel VITALE has interest in [redacted] business companies.

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/On 1/18/63 SL 1233-C* stated that VITALE, [redacted]
[redacted] and [redacted] departed for Kansas City, Mo., at 6:00 P.M. that date./

Information copies are being submitted to the Kansas City Division inasmuch as NICK CIVELLA is presently under investigation by that office, and to New York to be utilized in their investigation of the Criminal "Commission."

VITALE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS
AS THE ST. LOUIS PD CONSIDERS HIM A "GUN FOR HIRE."

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC **Milwaukee**

DATE: **2/4/69**

FROM : SA **JOHN H. GASHAWAY**

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Titles and File #s on which contacted	
ANTHONY J. BIERNAT - MISSING PERSON-Murder	79-56
JOHN CHARLES RIEZO, AR	92-164
STEVE DE SALVO, AR	92-165
JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, AR	92-257
CIP	92-145 THOMPSON
IGA	162-1 THOMPSON
Purpose and results of contact	
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<p>Informant telephonically contacted the writer and advised that he had just learned through another bookie that ANTHONY BIERNAT handled a book in Kenosha, Wisconsin. He pointed out that BIERNAT may have very possibly been shaken down by STEVE DE SALVO and JOE GURERA for weekly payments to the outfit for operating a book in Kenosha, as informant had previously said that some of the gamblers in Kenosha had been contacted by STEVE and JOE for this purpose.</p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-262)

FROM : SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-935) - P -

SUBJECT: THE CRIMINAL "COMMISSION"; ET AL -
MILWAUKEE DIVISION
AR - CONSPIRACY

OO: MILWAUKEE

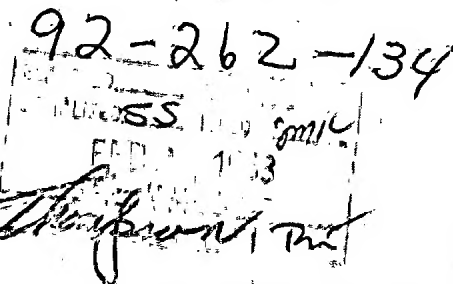
DATE: 1/31/63

Re Kansas City airtel 11/6/62 to Milwaukee, and
St. Louis airtel to Bureau 1/18/63 entitled JOHN JOSEPH
VITALE, aka; AR.

Enclosed for the Milwaukee Division is one copy
of referenced airtel dated 1/18/63. This airtel
contains information concerning JOSEPH FRANK GURERA and
possible membership in the "Famiglia". For the information
of the St. Louis Division, JOSEPH FRANK GURERA, formerly
of Kansas City, is presently residing in the Milwaukee
Division and is being actively investigated by that
office under Milwaukee file 92-257.

For information of the Milwaukee Division,
Kansas City is presently conducting investigation to
determine all members and the relationship existing
in the BALESTRERE and BALESTRERI families. Upon the
completion of this investigation, complete details of this
family relationship will be furnished to the Milwaukee
Division in view of the numerous relatives residing in
the Milwaukee area.

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- 1 - St. Louis (92-158)(Info)
- 3 - Kansas City(1-92-935)(1-92-326)(JOSEPH FRANK GURERA)
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